January 6. 7

Sir,

I transmit herewith a report from the Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office N. Y. exhibiting the results of the usual monthly examination at that Office on the 31st ult.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
Your faithful Servant
James Ropes Snowden.
Director U.S. Mint.

Hon James Guthrie,
Sec. of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Jan. 6th 1857.

Copy.

Dear Sir,

On looking at the remarks made by Mr. Havens when you reported the Cent Bill, it has occurred to me that he was under the impression that the Repeal of the Laws making foreign coins a legal tender would repeal the Laws which fixes a certain valuation upon foreign moneys of account at the Custom Houses. But you will please notice that the Bill under consideration does not affect these Laws. The Laws in question you will find at pages 34 & 35 of the Mint Pamphlet which I send you. I call your attention to this subject in order that you may explain it to the House if necessary.

We look with anxiety to the action of the House to morrow.

Yours Respectfully
& Truly
J. R. Snowden.

Hon John S. Phelps M. C. Repr.

Assay Office of the United States, New-York,

Treasurer's Department,

January 6. 1857

Sir

I herewith transmit the bond and oath of Office, of Samuel A. Graham, as Weigh Clerk to the Treasurer of this Office, for your approval.

The Sureties are known to me, and I consider them ample.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob. Servant

James Ross Snowden Esq
Director U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia

J. W. Dickey
Treasurer.

January 7. 1

Sir:

I have the honor of transmitting herewith the official bond of Samuel D. Ingham and Abijah Hunt as Assessors in your Office for the 4th District. I have this day offered my acceptance of their sufficiency to the Secretary and transmitted (B) to the Comptroller of the Treasury.

Very respectfully
Samuel D. Ingham.
Collector of the 4th Dist.

John J. Boyd Esq.
Chairman U.S. Direct Tax Office,
New York

To
Hon John Sherman
U. S. S.
Washington City

~~Brief Remarks~~
Respecting Points
Presented in Mr Smith's
letter to him. Also some
Specimens of new
Currency & ask his
assistance to pass
bill

Jan 6, 1857.

2. Overdrafts,		2. Surplus Fund,	
3. Interest earned not collected,		3. All other Undivided Profits, Less expenses, etc.	
4. Customers' liability account of "Acceptances,"		4. Reserves for Dividends, Contingencies, etc.,	
5. U. S. Bonds to secure circulation,		5. Reserves for Interest, Taxes, and other expenses accrued and unpaid,	
6. U. S. Bonds and certificates pledged,		6. Interest collected, not earned,	
7. U. S. Bonds and certificates not pledged,		7. Due to Federal Reserve Bank,	
8. Premium on U. S. Bonds,		8. Due to Trust Companies, Banks, and Bankers,	
9. Bonds, Securities, etc. (pledged and unpledged),		9. Certified Checks,	
10. Federal Reserve Bank Stock,		10. Cashier's Checks Outstanding,	
11. Banking House, Furniture and fixtures.		11. Dividends Unpaid,	
12. Other Real Estate Owned,		12. Demand Deposits: Ind. Dep. subject to check, (Including those subject to notice of less than 30 days.) Ctfs. of Dep. due in 30 days or less,	
13. Due from Federal Reserve Bank,		13. Time Deposits: A. Savings Deposits (due after, or subject to notice of, 30 or more days). 1. Evidenced by pass book, 2. Evidenced by Certificates of Deposits, B. Other Deposits subject to 30 or more days' notice, C. Postal Savings,	
14. Due from Federal Reserve Bank Transit Account,		14. United States Deposits, (Including U. S. Disbursing Officers.)	
15. Due from Trust Companies, Banks, and Bankers,		15. Circulation rec'd, Less on hand and returned.	
16. Exchanges for Clearing House,		16. Bonds Borrowed,	
17. Checks on other Banks in same place,		17. Bills Payable with Federal Reserve Bank,	
18. Cash,		18. Other Bills Payable,	
19. Cash Items,		19. Notes and Bills Rediscounted with Federal Reserve Bank,	
20. Cash Short,		20. Other Notes and Bills rediscounted,	
21. 5% Red'n Fund with Treas. U. S.,		21. Bills of exchange or Drafts indorsed, guaranteed by this bank, and not otherwise shown,	
22. Other Funds with Treasurer U. S.,		22. Accepted Bills of exchange payable abroad,	
23. Other Assets (describe).		23. Cash Letters of Credit and Travelers' Checks Outstanding,	
		24. Acceptances Executed to Furnish Dollar Exchange,	
		25. Acceptances Executed for Customers,	
		26. Time Drafts Issued,	
		27. Cash Over,	
		28. Other Liabilities (describe),	
TOTAL,		TOTAL,	

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Unused letters of credit outstanding, $ _____

Future contracts to buy and sell exchange, $ _____

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1933 2—16172

21,835.47
87,341.88

Salaries	$6,973.00
Wages	21,835.47
Incidentals	5,824.98
	34,633.45

January 5, 7.

Sir:

In compliance with the act of March 4, 1853, c. 97, I present herewith a Quarterly Statement of the Expenditures of the Mint for the 4th. Quarter 1856.:

Statement of the Expenditures of the Mint during the 4th Qr. 1856.

For Salaries of Officers & Clerks,	$ 6,975.00
" Wages of Workmen & Adjuncts,	21,835.47
" Incidental & Contingent Expenses,	5,824.98
Total.	$34,635.45.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
Your faithful Servant,
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon. James Guthrie,
Sec. of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Jan. 3rd, 1856.

Gentlemen:

I have prepared for your consideration the Rules for the government of the annual Assays.

I propose to have printed a pamphlet, containing:

1. The Rules &c.
2. The several sections of the Laws of the U. S. which relate to the annual Assay.
3. A brief statement of the processes employed in making Assays at the Mint.

The argument, or reasons for the deviations from the accustomed mode of conducting the Assays will be transcribed into the Record Book. but I do not suppose

to print the preliminary remarks with the pamphlet.

If there be no objection I will cause the pamphlet to be printed immediately.

Respectfully submitted

James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

P. S.

Shall the names of the Committee appear in the pamphlet? and if so, at what place?

J. R. Snowden

Hon. J. K. Kane Judge U.S.C.E.D. of Pa.
" Charles Brown Collector of the Port of Phila.
" James C. Van Dyke Asst. Atty Gl.
[illegible] U.S.C.

United States Assay Office,

New York, Jan 5, 1857.

Sir,

I transmit, enclosed, my report to the Secretary of the Treasury of the count of moneys in the hands of the Treasurer of this Office on the 31st ultimo.

Very respectfully,
your obt. servt.,
S.T. Butterworth, Supt.
by Geo. F. Deming.

Hon. J.K. Snowden,
Director of the Mint

Assay Office of the United States, New-York,

Treasurer's Department,

January 2. 1857

Sir

Your letter of the 1st inst is rec'd. also by the Adams Express Co. $20,733.84 in Silver Coins, in settlement of balance due this Office, the 31st ult.

Very Respectfully
Yours

John L. Wes
Treasurer.

Daniel Sturgeon Esq.
Treas. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia

Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office
January 2d. 1857.

Daniel Sturgeon Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia. Penna.
Sir.

Your account of Ordinary Expenditures of the Mint for the Month of October 1856. has been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance found due from you to the United States of $36,434.97.

Most Sincerely
Yours
Elisha Whittlesey.
Comptroller.

Abstract of Machinery, and Materials, &c used in U.S. Mint

Chief Coiners Departments

Boiler Room (Including Boiler Lagging and		10,655 00
Engine Room		
Basement & Shafting		2,745 00
Rolling and Cutting Room, with		
2 pair Annealing Furnaces $600 each		19,099 93
Cleaning Room, & 1 Annealing Furnace		3,384 59
Adjusting Room and Workshop attached		4,081 70
Engine Room (Made in Mint)		5,000 00
Basement and Shafting		500 00
Coining Room &c		42,246 54
Machine Shop		3,059 00
Hardening Apparatus &c		486 19
Store Room (Materials)		500 00
Chief Coiners Weigh Rooms		2,980 26
" " Office		1400 00
		107,699 21
Assayers Department		1,512 00
Treasurers Offices		
Weigh Room	3,189 80	
Register "	706 00	
Paying "	419 00	4,314 80
Directors Offices		259 80
Balances and Standard Weights for verification of Weights (Now in the Cabinet)		1,200 00
		115,045,51

115.045.51
10.000.00 Bullion
125.045.51
31.211.38
156.256.89
50.
206.256.89

Mint Refining a/c

January 31. 7.

Sir,

I have to-day transmitted to the President the Report, required by the 2nd. section of the General Mint Law, of the operations of the Mint and its Branches for the year 1856.

For your information I send you a copy of the Report, omitting the statistical tables which are attached to it.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
your faithful servant,

James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Hon. James Guthrie
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington City.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, February 2, 1857.

Sir:

I return herewith bill of J. P. Morris & Co. ~~rec'd~~ (in your letter of 29 ult.) properly receipted

Your favor of 22 ult. returning Bill of 2 PM for receipt of Mr Sprague has been rec'd. Enclosed please find said bill

By Mr Sprague

Taunton June 1. 1837.

Bvd. Dan'l. Glungeon.

Treas: U. S. Mint.

Sir.

Above please find bill of 12 keys planchets, forwarded to you by R Road.

Yours. Very Respectfully

Crocker Bro. & Co

	Rects		Cent		Room			Purchases			
	1/4			1/8		1/16		Nov	13	1 40 30	
November	16	11	76		28 68	16	86		14	364 30	
	17	1	67		46 98	43	98		16	566 50	
	18	38	70		21 87	10	24	Mettias	17	1041 40	
	19	18	42		114 83	50	89	Nov	17	48 90	
	20	2	93		18 05	17	45	"	18	140 20	
	21				3 60			"	19	35 50	
	23	54	32		57 50	23	88	"	20	280 05	
	24	49	87		188 45	194	48	"	21	150 20	
	25	121	83		68 02	24	1	Mettias		140 85	
		83	90		51 62	381	95				
	27	1	99		18 27	6	92	Nov 10	23	82 85	
					3 65						
	28	29	34		14 62	844	89	Nov 10	24	1190 05	
	30	34	91		39 55	2	13	Nov 10	25	25 86 5	
		97	008		951 64	760	89	Nov 10	27	171 10	
total	Nov 10	91	10	41	951 10	42	760	90	Nov 10	28	550 30
										30	162 45
											1344 40
											CM 43 = 1344 40

Cent Room Rects

Oct 19	1/4	179.40	1/8	112,48	1/16	48.66
20	"	125.61	"	82,38	"	23,60
21	"	58,22	"	29,54	"	8,37
22	"	19.22	"	10.91	"	1103.13 Comics 100
23	"	211.41	"	53.84	"	23.78
24	"	~~32.28~~	"	36,28	"	
		~~693.92~~		~~325.43~~		1203.14

Cent Room Rects

Oct 26th	1/4	86.61	1/8	67.05	1/16	10.25
27	"	~~44.44~~	"	32,38	"	3.37
28	"	157.75	"	85,59	"	30.57
29	"	3.86	"	7.18	"	7.02
30	"	224.95	"	155.76	"	61.21
31	"	27.53	"	11,05	"	6.90
		500.70		359.01		119.32
		~~693.92~~		~~325.43~~		1203.14
		~~1094.62~~		684.46		1322.46
		1094.70		684.50		1322.45

Oct 28th	Purchases	393,20	
" 29	"	895,50	
		1288.70	Mitted
" 30	"	415.80	
" 31		~~772.50~~ 1193.30	492.40
	total Purchases	1685.70	

Rock Cent Offine

Nov	2°	14	7.84	1/8	28.92	1/16	10.28
"	3	"	88.81	"	50.31	"	24.33
"	4	"	316.81	"	240.52	"	124.36
"	5	"	235.25	"	109.35	"	31.90
"	6	"	188.69	"	218.40	"	85.52
"	7	"	61.90	"	201.90	"	86.48
			899.36		849.40		368.87
			899.40		849.40		368.90
			No 2468		No 2469		No 2470

The amt of deposits rec'd in cent office for the month of Dec. 1864

Silver $ 5,700
Copper $ 1,000
Total $ 6,700

J.P.L.

Rects Cent Room

Nov 9th 1867	1/4	1/8	1/16
	65 48	7 82	334 30
" 10	51 87	51 58	30 60
" 11	7 86	341 27	130 22
" 12	257 26	216 13	78 95
" 13	210 35	161 37	22 10
" 14	136 17	21 47	10 30
	1349 3	805 14	811 47
	1349 0	805 15	811 50
	No 2587	No 2588	No 2589

1/4 @ 70.— Bz. 55.01
1/8 @ 120.— " 88.26
1/16 35.— " 24.45

Sept 7th 1857

J.J.G.

From Cent Room

Sept.	14th	1/4	199.50	1/8	188.45	1/16	265.00
"	15th	"	438.90	"	270.85	"	78.80
"	16th	"	295.00	"	89.65	"	47.20
"	17th	"	166.40	"	133.04	"	52.33
"	18	"	104.10	"	187.95	"	61.68
"	19	"	85.67	"	122.36	"	37.17
			1289.57		992.30		542.18
			1289.60		992.30		542.20

from east Run

1/4	55.03	1/5	88.27	1/16	24.49	left	7
"	206.25	"	118.49	"	30.78	"	8
"	166.55	"	253.30	"	156.22	"	9
"	11.64	"	35.73	"	83.96	"	10
"	437.10	"	153.65	"	145.39	"	11
"	197.12	"	86.92	"	6 80	"	12
	1073.69		733 36		397.62		
	1073.70		733.30		397.6		

Quarters	62.30
Levies	21.68
Fines	16.89

August 1st 1915

1/4 @ 410. ⌢ 03 @ 16.87

1/8 @ 335. ⌢ " 240.52

1/16 @ 180. ⌢ " 124.36

November 4th 1857

J.J.G.

1/4 @ 245.– Oz 188.69

1/8 @ 305.– " 218.34

1/16 @ 125.– " 85.50

6th November 1857

J.P.G.

1/4 — $35.— 03 27.40
1/8 $135.— " 97.94
1/16 $100.— " 67.66
Aug. 21 $1857

1/4 #180 - O3 140.29

1/8 #20 " 14.49

1/16 #20 " " 13.45

Aug. 26th 1857

O.D.G.

1/4 @ 50.— 83. 38.85

1/8 @ 4520.— = 322.99 3208.50

1/16 @ 1010.— = 686.41

August 27th 1857

J.W.S.

1/4 ℔ 260.— Oz 201.45

1/8 ℔ 130.— " ~~94.~~ 94.97

1/16 ℔ 45.— " 31.57

August 25

J. P. G.

1/4 # 305. Oz 235.22

1/8 # 105. " 109.34

1/16 # 55. " 37.89

Nov. 5th 1857

P.F.G.

1/4 @ 180.— Oz 140.25

1/8 @ 90.— " 65.41

1/16 @ 20.— " 15.87

August 15/57 W.G.

1/4 #130. → @ 99.9¢

1/8 #95. → " 68¾¢

1/16 #45 " 31.2 6¼ count

Aug. 17th 1857

J.P.B.

1/4 #115.— 3 90.12

1/8 #40.— " 28.66

1/16 #20.— 13.66

August 19th 1887

L.F.G.

1/4 $15.— Oz 1194

1/8 $40.— " 28.68

1/16 $25.— " 16.56

Nov. 16th 1857

K.P.S.

1/4 @ 10.— 3.7.67

1/8 @ 65.— " 46.98

1/16 @ 65.— " 43.97

Nov. 17th 1857

J.S.G.

1/4 #565.— Oz 438.70

1/8 #375.— " 270.83

1/16 115.— " 78.73

Pesm 15th 1857

J.P.S.

1/4 # 255.- @ 199.47

1/8 # 260.- " 188.43

1/16 # 385.- " 264.96

Sept 14th 1857

J.P.G.

1/4 # 215. Oz. 16.59

1/8 # 350. → Oz. 25.27

1/16 # 230. → 15.28

Sept. 9th 1857

J.P.G.

1/4 # 265.— @ 206.20

1/8 # 160.— " 115.44

1/16 # 45.— " 30.78

Sept 8 1857

J.O.S.

1/4 @ 255.— B 197.08

1/8 @ 120.— " 86.90

1/16 @ 10.— " 6.79

Sept 12th 1857

J.J.S.

1/4 $565. 03 486.88

1/8 $210. " 153.81

1/16 $210 " 145.96

Sept 11th 1857

P.P.G.

¼ @ 115 ~ O₂ 88.88

~ 50.44

⅛ @ 70 ~

1/16 @ 35 ~ ~ 24.42

Oct. 3. 1857

W.H.

1/4 # 380. → O3 294.99

1/8 # 125. → " 89.64

1/16 # 70. → " 47.21

Sept 16th 1857

J.J.

1/4 $ 185 — $ 145.94

1/8 $ 530 " 380.87

1/16 $ 510 — " 348.74

Sept 29th/57

O?

1/4 # 110.— Oz 85.72 — 76.80 / 3.84 / 80.64

1/8 # 170.— " 122.26 — 11.20 / 35.60 / 14.24 / 121.04

1/16 # 55.— " 37.22 — 36.74

Sept 19th 1857

E.F.G.

1/4 # 135.→ Oz 104.10 103.18

1/8 # 260.→ " 187.94 180.12

1/16 # 90.→ " 61.68 60.12

Sept 18th 1857

J.J.G.

1/4 $130.— 03 100.90

1/8 $110.— " 80.13

1/16 $100.— " 67.99

Sept. 5th 1857

P.P.S.—

1/4 @ 30.— Oz 28.70 23.04

1/8 @ 185.— " 133.55 131.52

1/16 @ 115.— " 78.63 76.82

Sept 4th 1857

G.G.

1/4 @ 195.— 03 151.06 (49)6

1/8 @ 125.— " 91.26 89.06

1/16 @ 70 " 47.97 46)6

Sept. 3d 1857

P.P.G.

1/4 #760. 3.594.98 583.12

1/8 #120 " 86.49 85.44

1/6 # 70.— " 48.17 46.96

Sept. 2 1857

J.J.G

1/4 $ 145.— Oz 113.48 111.36

1/8 $ 115.— " 82.57 81.88

1/16 $ 40.— " 26.97 26.42

~~Aug.~~ Sept. 1st 1887

J.J.B.

1/8 # 30 — G 2154

1/16 # 25 — " 1708

Dept 30 F 15 J

F G

1/4 @ 115 — 590.05

1/8 @ 65 " " 43.49

1/16 @ 15 " " 13.35

Oct 14/57

D. C.

1/4 @ 45 c = 34,55

1/8 @ 150 " = " 107,43

1/16 @ 140 " = " 95,88

October 2 nd 37

L. C.

1/4 $ 15 ~ 05 11.72

1/8 $ 60 ~ " 43.58

1/16 $ 5 ~ " 3.45

Dept 26th/57

L. Orcutt

1/4 # 25 ~ $ 19.45

1/8 # 10 ~ 7.31

1/16 # 5 ~ 3.39

Sept 28th 1/5 ?

£1.0

(Steel)

1/4 @ 130.— Oz 101.69-101.69

1/8 @ 110.— " 79.70-79.72

1/6 @ 70.— " 47.58 47.60

228.41

Sept 24th/57

J.J.S.

The amt of Disparity
rec^d for the mess sent
during May

Silver	25736
Copper	3970
	29706

$1,5,

September 21/57 (Steel

1/4 @ 20.— Oz. 15.50 — 15.48

" 68.20 — 16.20

1/8 @ 95.— 36.87 — 36.87

1/16 @ 55.— 68.55

Peka 21 1857

W.W.S.

(Stock)

1/4 $250.— @ 193.97-194.

1/8 $155.— " 112.53-112.38

1/16 110. " 75.24-75.24

187.62

Dec. 23. 1857

J.J.G.

1/4 $25. — " 19.23

1/8 $15. — " 10.91

1/16 $1650. — " 1107.73

Oct. 22d 1857

J.J.G.

1002 1002

1002

1107.73 1107.73 1107.73

(Steel)

15	Wt 11,72-11.72
1/8 .60	43,58-43.58
1/16 5	3,45-3.45
	58.75

Sold-2.6

1/4 —— Steel

1/8 #10 @ 3.7207 — 2.07

1/16 #5 @ 3.37 — 3.36

5.48

Sept 22d 1857

J.P.S.

Dec 25/57 (Clark)

1/4 — 53.92

1/8 — 122.15

1/16 — 24.30

200.37

1/4 # 110.— Oz. 86.60

1/8 # 90.— " 64.05

1/16 15.— " 10.25

Oct. 26th, 1854

J.J.G.

1/4 @ 205.— 03 187.75

1/8 @ 120.— " 85.59

1/16 @ 45.— " 30.57

Oct. 28th 1857

W.G.

1/8 $50.— Ozs 96.28

Oct. 24th 1857

J.H.G.

1/8 $45.— 03 32.58

1/16 $5.— " 3.58

Oct. 27th 1851

J.P.G.

1/4 ⌀ 5.— @ 3.86

1/8 ⌀ 10.— " 7.18

1/16 ⌀ 10.— " 7.02

Oct. 29th 1857

W.C.

1/4 #285.~ @ 224.95~

1/8 # 215.~ " 55.74

1/16 # 90.~ " 64.15

Oct. 30 1857

Pens Clerk

1/4 #270.— Oz 211.47

1/8 #75.— " 53.84

1/16 #35.— " 25.78

F.W.G. Oct. 23d 1857

1/4 # 230.— @ 179.40

1/8 # 155.— " 112.47

1/16 # 70.— " 48.64

October 19th/51

G.M.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 7 DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.	
1/4 ths.	150	—	117	05	less 3.92
1/8 ths.	225	—	163	52	" 10.80
1/16 ths.	165	—	114	52	3.42
1/100 ths.	75		3580	72	

Rec'd 26th

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 5th DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	40	—	30	83
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	170	—	122	56
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	55	—	37	01
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	20	—	665	88

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 15th DAY OF Dec. 185

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	35	—	27	23
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	45	—	32	50
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	—	—		
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	35	—	25	11 80

P.M.S.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 14th DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	30	—	2340	
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	15	—	1089	
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	5	—	545	
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	10	—	3324	

J. P. S.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 28 DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	25		1957	
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	45		3233	
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	10		680	
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.				

J. L. G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 24th DAY OF Dec. 185-

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	65	—	50	55
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	100	—	71	89
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	45	—	30	75
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	10	—	333	44

W. S.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 2 DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	15	—	11	71
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	15	—	11	07
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	5	—	3	34
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	95	—	252	80

Bill 8.18

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 23 DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	90	—	6	978
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	5	—	3	66
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	15	—	1	102
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	135	—	4	52044

P. G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 21 DAY OF dec 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	210	—	16	49
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	45	—	3	294
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	10	—	6	80
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	5		166	72

J. J. G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE ..... DAY OF 185

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	35	—	27	45
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	115		83	11
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	15		10	89
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	5		165	72

J. P. G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 18 DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	60	—	4633	
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	25	—	1814	
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	65	—	4470	
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.				

J. P. B.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 27 DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
1/4 ths.	2160	—	2029	6
1/8 ths.	80		58	25
1/16 ths.	25		17	12
1/100 ths.	40		13	4676

J. G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 16 DAY OF Dec 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	—		—	
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	50	—	36	25
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	25	—	17	03
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	20		2688	52

J.V.S.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 12 DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	140	—	109	60
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	60	—	43	05
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	20	—	15	51
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	5	—	1	66

J. A. G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 11 DAY OF dec 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	125	—	97	27
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	135	—	98	68
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	90	—	61	94
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	90		3032	96

R. M. S.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 10th DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	405	—	315	63
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	340	—	246	80
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	50		53	93
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	5		166	72

J. P. G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 28 DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	115		8992	
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	70		5490	
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	100		6847	
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	40		1336	96

J. P. G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 30th DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	85		65	8
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	95		25	2
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	25		16	75
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	25		834	60

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 29 DAY OF Dec 185 7

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	60	—	59	23
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	90	—	64	79
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	105	—	3	64
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	65	—	2	90 36

W. L.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 27 DAY OF Nov 185 7

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.	
1/4 ths.	95	00	73	90	
1/8 ths.	25	00	18	27	~~Ozs 00 dwts~~
1/16 ths.	20	—	13	94	less Ozs .02
1/100 ths.	20	—	6	74	88

J.G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 25th DAY OF Nov. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	155	—	121	80
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	90	—	68	01
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	35	—	24	15
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	95	—	21	78 36

J. G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 28th DAY OF Nov. 185[illegible]

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	30	—	23	30
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	25	—	18	21
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	615	—	644	87
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	15	—	499	16

W.P.S.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 30th DAY OF Nov. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	45	—	34	91
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	585	—	89	51
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	40	—	2	13
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	65	—	2154	86

W. S.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 1st DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
1/4 ths.				
1/8 ths.	15		10	925
1/16 ths.	5		3	42
1/100 ths.				

J.G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 20th DAY OF Nov. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	35	—	27	33
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	25	—	18	05
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	25	—	17	44
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.				

J. P. G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 23d DAY OF Nov. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	7000		54	32
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	80		5	44
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	35		2	88
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	5		16	72

WS

Silver from Cent Room

Aug 24th	1/4		880.60
	25	"	201.84
	26	"	140.30
	27	"	38.87
	28	"	215.25
	29	"	112.95
	31	"	1058.71
			1848.76
"	"	1/8	122.79
	25	"	94.99
	26	"	14.48
	27	"	32 14.80
	28	"	86.80
	29	"	153.12
	31	"	367.27
			3534.39
"	"	1/16	48.13
	25	"	31.54
	26	"	13.45
	27	"	6 1.63
	28	"	12 .40
	29	"	3 .45
			845.02
			57.83
			896.85

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 2 DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	220	—	1733	00
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	55	—	406	2
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	25	—	17	50
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	105	—	8	50	12

J.P.G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 3d DAY OF dec 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	10	—	7	75
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	115	—	82	78
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	15	—	10	22
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	10		33	44

G.P.S.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 24th DAY OF Nov. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	640	—	497	87
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	220	—	158	39
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	285	—	194	44
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	—	—	—	

W.G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 21st DAY OF Nov 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.				
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.		50	360	
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.				
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	45		1505	48

Pds.

Quarters

15.48
194.00
101.69
53.92

Dimes

16.20
72.07
112.38
79.72
122.15

Sixteenth

36.87
3.36
75.24
47.60
24.30

1/4

1 113.47
2 594.96
3 151.00
4 28.10
5 100.57

984.31 = 984.10

1/4

1 82.57
2 86.49
3 91.26
4 115.44
5 80.13

455.89
18.115

4) 474.04 = 4) 474.05

1/16

1 26.97
2 48.11
3 41.99
4 96.38
5 61.98

281.81
18.115

267.66 = 2677.0

1/4 @ 50.— 93.38.60

1/8 @ 30.— " 21.50

1/16 @ [illegible] " 10.23

Nov. 18th 1857

P.G.

1/4 @ 100.— Cg 78.39

1/8 @ 160.4 " 114.79

1/16 @ 75.— " 50.89

Nov. 10th 1857

Yours

1/4 @ 195. Oz 151.78

1/8 @ 435 " 314.79

1/16 @ 130. " 89.28

August 14th 1857

DRS

1/4 @ 275.— B 215.26

1/8 @ 120 " 86.20

1/16 @ 45.— " 27.59

Aug. 28th 1857

Griffith

1/4 @ 175. ⟶ Oz 136.15

1/8 @ 30. ⟶ " 21.46

1/16 @ 15. ⟶ " 10.28

Nov. 14th 1857

BBG

1/4 of 330. → 257.21

1/8 of 300. → " 216.15

1/16 of 115. → " 78.94

Nov 12th 1857

J.J.G.

2.

Qty 80. Pumpkin Pie 6.30

3 30 21.60

S. 25. 16.89

9836. — Silver
949 — Copper

The above amts were
rec'd on a/c of the new coal
for this month Nov. 30th 1859

J.W. Griffith

1/4 @ 15.— Oz 11.64

1/8 @ 50.— " 35.72

1/16 @ 50.— " 33.98

Sept. 10th 1857

J. G. J.

1/4 105. @ 8200

768
3,84
7,20
38
152
1/8 10. " 7.26

1/16 10. " 6.73

Aug. 5th 1857 J.J.S.

Chg 15 — 1/4 — 96.40
" — — — 96.80
18 — — 165.40
20 — — 141.60
21 — — 119.40
525.40

" " 1/8 — 136.80
" — — 14.40
18 — — 54.40
20 — — 82.35
21 — — 32.40
320.40

" " 1/16 — 85.40
" — — 3.40
18 — — 10.45
20 — — 20.40
21 — — 6.80
126.40

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 4th DAY OF Dec 185 7

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.	
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	105	—	81	55	
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	25		18	09	
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	20		13	84	1/16 condemned
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.					

WG

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 7 DAY OF Dec 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
1/4 ths.	35	—	27	17½ 3.92
1/8 ths.	85	—	61	63½ 10.80
1/16 ths.	35	—	24	47½ 3.44
1/100 ths.	25	—	8	49 60

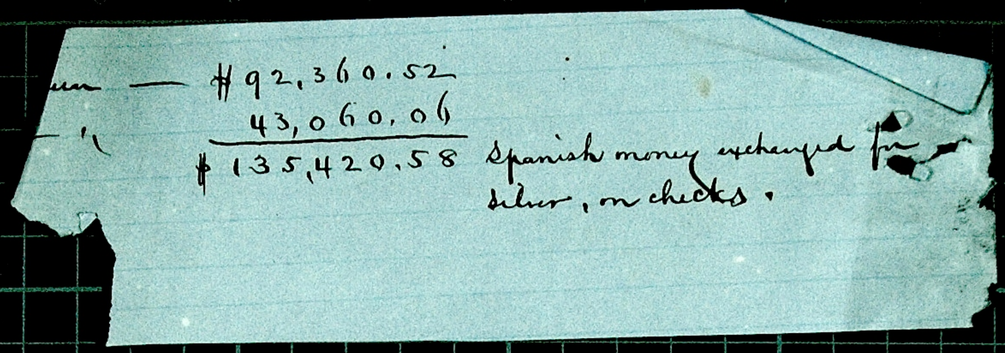
W.G.

STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS RECEIVED FOR CENTS,

ON THE 9 DAY OF Dec. 1857

	DOLLS.	CTS.	OUNCES.	DEC.
$\frac{1}{4}$ ths.	425	—	33444	
$\frac{1}{8}$ ths.	60	—	4494	
$\frac{1}{16}$ ths.	20	—	1434	
$\frac{1}{100}$ ths.	100	—	334840	

J.P.G.



— $92,360.52
43,060.06
$135,420.58 Spanish money exchanged for silver, on checks.

1/4 @ 10.– Ozs 7.86

1/8 @ 475.– " 341.26

1/16 @ 190.– " 130.19

11th Nov. 1857

T. Ld.

1/4 @ 270.— = 210.81

1/8 @ 225.— = 161.30

1/16 @ 335.— = 227.03

Nov. 13th 1857

W.A.C.

1/4 of 75 = 03 57 81

1/8 of 80 = 10 00 00

1/16 of 45 = 05 62 50

10th Nov 1857

Christopher Griffith

1/4 pt. S. — 03 3.90

August 11th, 1857

S.H.S.

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1/4 @ 85.03 65.4

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1/16 @ 500.00 334.85

Nov. 9th 1857

G.F.

¼ #450.-83 348.48

⅛ £170 12 1,0" 122.76

1/16 7°46,7" 48.66

Aug. 24/57

J.J.S.

Chain Costtellow 578

1/4 @ 35.— Bz 27.59

1/8 @ 105.— " 75.94

1/16 @ 80 " 55.19

Aug. 21 1857

E.P.G.

Ins	$30.—	34.6	23.27
Eighths	$15.—		10.97
Sixteenths	$5.—		3.48

Aug. 3 1857

J.H.C.

1/4 #190 → 3.146.90

1/8 #160 → 115.40

1/16 #85 → 58.18

August 10/57 P.P.S.

1/4 #11.— Oz 89.2.5

1/8 #5.— Oz. 3.5.8

Aug. 8 to

GG

1/4 # 210. — Oz 165.91

1/8 # 080. — " 280.85

1/16 # 00. — " 37.56

Aug. 8th 1857

W.H.

1/4 #395.— @ 306.75

1/8 #95.— " 68.59

1/16 #35.— " 23.95

Aug. 6th 1857 [illegible]

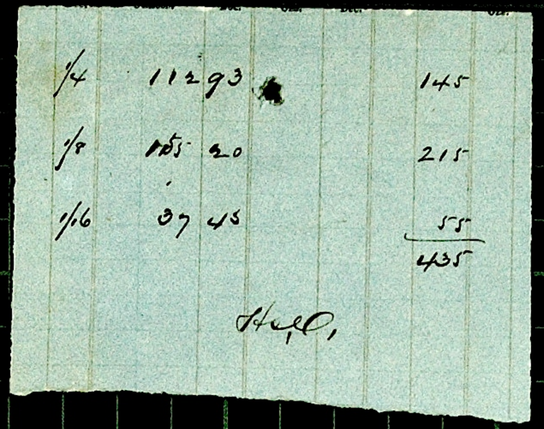
1/4 #20. — @ 15.52

1/8 #40. — " 28.87

1/16 #35. — 24.17

August 13th 1859

P. G. T.



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1/4 @ 280. = 03.217.11

1/8 @ 55. = 39.70

1/16 @ 55 = 37.58

390 = 329.39

Answered 12/07

P.S.

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1857/FEBRUARY

Treasury Department
Feb. 9. 1857.

Sir

I enclose a transfer draft on the Treasurer of the Mint at Philadelphia in favor of the Depositary at Cincinnati for $10.000 payable in Silver Coins.

Be pleased to have the amount transferred to Cincinnati by Adams Express Co. in equal amounts of dimes & ½ dimes.

I am very Resp.
W. Pinkerton
Act of the Treasury.

Dan'l. Sturgeon Esq
Treasurer of Mint
Philada.

February 2, 7.

Sir,

The usual monthly count and examination made at Pittsburgh on the 31st ult: at the close of that days business, exhibits the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer viz:

Gold coin	$1,107,547.80
Silver "	754,279.95
Ordinary Fund	1,754.07
Repair Fund	2,552.20
Total	$1,946,150.78

Which amount corresponds with the balance stated upon the books of account in his office.

The balance in the hands of the Asst Treasurer of the U.S. at the same time was $614,689.68 in gold and silver coin agreeing with that Offices books of Account.

As appointed by the Electors of the
Most generally [illegible] Ward
the Business of the Election was conducted
fairly and [illegible] a Poll was taken which to the
best of the Judges could be ascertained
I do Certify
that the Above
is a true
Return of the Votes
Given in
Witness my Hand
Inspector of the Election

Jno Jas Hollins
Clerk of the Election
Witness Jno Daly

Treasury Department
July 3d 1837

Sir,

Herewith is enclosed a copy of a note addressed to this Department by the Hon.t R.M. T Hunter Chairman of Committee on Finance of the Senate, calling for certain information in relation to the present value of the cent piece, as compared with that proposed in the enclosed House Bill.

You will please furnish this Department with the required information, without delay

Very respectfully
Your obt Servt
Levi Woodbury
Sect of the Treasury

R. Rose Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

[Copy]

Senate Chamber
Feby 3rd 1857

Dear Sir:

You will oblige me if you will furnish me a Statement showing the intrinsic values respectively of the present cent piece and that proposed by the amendments of the House of Representatives to Senate bill 190 (a Copy of which is herewith) also the intrinsic difference between said Values

Yours respectfully
R M T Hunter

Hon. James Guthrie
Sec'y Treas'y

Mint of the United States.
Phila: Feb 6. 1857.

Sir:

On the 10th day of October last I ordered from you two pair of chisel rolls for the branch Mint San Francisco. Not having heard any thing respecting these rolls I am induced to ask whether they are finished, and if so, when I may expect to receive them.

Very respectfully,
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

John L Parry Esq,
Pittsburg,
Pa.

Rochester Feb. 3d 1857.

$193,23

U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Gents

100 1/4
68 1/4
25
193,23

I forwarded this day by the New York & Erie R. R. Company's Express in various old coins the amt. of $200.00 for which please return to me by the said Express Company the amt. at your rates —:

$.25.00 in U.S. 02 pieces
$.50.00 " " " Quarters
Balance in halfs.

At this time we are here very much in want of change, the Spanish Coin is down since Thursday last, it comes in for trade but we can not pay it out again, a first rate thing it is to get that old Spanish trash out of circulation. We have such handsome U. S. Coin &. I can not see why we had to have that old foreign smooth stuff so long in use & to dispose from of every one, & Gents. allow me to say the U. S. People ought to show more Independence in this matter long ago.

The largest circulation is already in & if those who hold it get it exchanged over in to U. S. Coin it will all shortly get out of Circulation. The Amt. I forward in the U. S. Coin last paid first rate 5 per cent better than what I have got here. The amt I sent to day please give me a

Statement of each package that I may now have each by it self will pay. The package contains:

$. 12.5 in Spanish Quarters

$ 10 " U.S. " & halfs

p. 30 " Spanish shillings & 6ds pieces

£. 10.5.6 " France at 9ds

£. 3.00 " German Coins

My Object this time is not to make money more so to get that foreign coin out of circulation & to make it last more easy to my customers of whom I have been taken every one for the full value in trade all with in 3 Days to 4 Days.

Yours Very Respectfully &
Truly
Jacob Mannen

Nov. 10th

23.5
10.9
5.125

Depositary Office
Baltimore Feby 4th 1837

Sir,

I have this day placed in the hands of the Adams Express Co for collection Drafts Nos 3695 payable by you in Silver coin.

I wish thereon you to forward the amount to this Office in Gold & quarters in the following amount

viz Adolph Bolton . . . $10.000
Quarters " . . . 20.000 $30.000

Constant daily enquiry are made here for the new or silver coin, for which the people appear to be anxious as a substitute for the Gold. Could it be at all consistent to you to advise us of your readiness to furnish it thus, I should this side you the necessary Express.

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.

Philip. F. Thomas.
Depositary

To
Dan. Dewees Esq
Receiver U. S. Mint
Philada

Allsworth

No. 83.

One Hundred & eighteen Bars of Silver Bullion transmitted to the U.S. Mint for coinage, in pursuance of the Act of March 1855, by John F. Cisco, Treas. of the U.S. Assay Office, New York.

	Bars		Gross Wt. Ounces dec.	
No. 396.	12	weigh.	2273.98	@ 999⅞
7.	11	"	2166.07	" 997
8.	11	"	2106.95	" 999½
9	11	"	2025.46	" 991
400.	10	"	1751.82	" 997½
1.	11	"	2033.68	" 999
2.	8	"	1523.49	" 991
3.	9	"	1714.55	" 984
4.	11	"	2084.45	" 990½
5.	7	"	1242.85	" 990
6.	8	"	1501.79	" 985
7	5	"	891.60	" 980½
8.	1	"	197.52	" 602
9.	1	"	233.38	" 774½
410.	2	"	255.07	" 822½
	118		22002.66	Stand. Qs. = 24087.10

Value @ $1.22½ per St. oz. $29506.70

Eleven Boxes #19@29.

Feb. 3d. 1857.

Office of the Asistant Treasurer, U. S.

New York, Feby 3rd 1857.

Daniel Sturgeon Esq.
Treas. U.S. Mint.
Sir

I have this day forwarded for collection, by the Adams Express Co. Transfer draft No 3690. on you, in my favor, for $50.000. payable in Silver Coins. I will thank you to transmit the amount as follows.

dimes	$	5.000
1/2 do		10.000
1/2 dollars		5.000
1/4 do		30.000
	$	50.000

Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt
John J Cisco
Asst Treas.

Assay Office of the United States, New-York,

Treasurer's Department,

February 4. 1857

Sir

I herewith inclose receipts and Statements Nº 83 and 84. of Eighteen boxes, containing 200 bars. = 35,979.24 Ozs Silver bullion. of the nut value @ $ 1.22½ pr St. Oz. of $ 47,457.98 The receipt of which please acknowledge, and remit in payment $ 30,000. in Quarters. and $ 17,457.98 in half dimes; The fractional balance of the dollar inclosed separately.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Sert.

Jos. J. Cisco
Treasurer.

P.S. Mr Cisco's compliments to Mr Stanyan, and would feel obliged if he would forward him, say 100 of the new cent pieces, as specimens.

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 84 Received of the Treasurer of the United States

Assay Office, New York.

Box containing _____ Gold Bullion,

Seven " " 13976.58 Ozs Silver "

Parcel " _____

Amounting in Net value to $ 17951.28

Seventeen Thousand, Nine hundred

Fifty one 28/100 Dollars

which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer of the United States Mint at Philadelphia at

Cents per One Thousand Dollars.

New York, Feb 11 1857

Adams Express Co. [illegible]

Banking Office of **WARD & BROTHER,**

Rochester, N. Y., Feb 5 1857

D. Sturgeon Esqs

Dear Sir

To whom shall we direct our Spanish coin intended for recoining? — and when will we have returns? and can we order returns in such sizes as we wish?

And is it placed to our credit so we can draw for it, or must it be returned directly to us?

Very Truly

Ward & Bro

Mechanicsburg Feb 4th 1857

Dr Sir.

In what way do you receive the Old Spanish Coin at the Mint. Do you take them by weight and at what price or do you receive them for individuals Please answer the above for the Merchants of this place.

Respectfully Yours

Simon Arnold

Per Adams

Treasury of the United States
5th February 1857

Sir

In the enclosed Treasury Draft No 3694 ($200.000) please send by Adams Express Comp.y $75.000 in 1/2 Eagles, $75.000 in 1/4 Eagles, and $50.000 in dollars.

Very respectfully
Your Ob.t Serv.t
Fran.s Casey
Treasurer U.S.

Jas Sturgeon Esq.r
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

25,000 Dollars
25 000
50,000
50 000 1/2

75,000 1/4 Eagles
25 000 1/2 Eagles
25 1/2 Eagles

No. 85.

Eighty six Bars of Silver Bullion transmitted to the U.S. Mint for coinage, in pursuance of the act of March 1855, by John F. Cisco, Treasurer of the U.S. Assay Office, New York.

	Bars	Gross Wt. ounces dec		
No. 22.	4	weigh	8.667.93	@ 898 ℔
3.	1		88.85	" 900
4.	5		901.75	" 872
5.	1		143.95	" 770
6.	1		147.30	" 899½
7.	1		95.55	" 900
8.	2		318.57	" 899½
9.	6		1147.80	" 886½
30.	1		76.80	" 899
1.	1		75.61	" 899½
2.	1		93.20	" 899½
3.	2		384.55	" 899½
4.	2		398.48	" 899½
5.	2		337.90	" 898
6.	2		216.61	" 899½
7.	2		218.50	" 899½
8.	1		159.65	" 899
9.	1		118.78	" 898
40.	4		695.99	" 898
1.	2		337.03	" 899
2.	1		93.23	" 900½
3.	1		69.60	" 900½
4.	1		72.10	" 899
	45		6859.72	

	Bars	Gross Wt. ounces dec		
No. 45.	1	weigh	89.68	@ 899 ℔
6.	1		103.20	" [illegible]
7.	1		89.25	" 896½
8.	1		152.75	" 896
9.	5		866.00	" 989½
50.	5		897.40	" 990
1.	5		894.38	" 988
2.	2		295.87	" 899
3.	1		82.13	" 898½
4.	1		84.25	" 900½
5.	1		123.40	" 898½
6.	1		161.27	" 899½
7.	1		113.40	" 899½
8.	1		74.10	" 899½
9.	1		91.02	" 900
60.	1		92.18	" 892½
1.	2		289.65	" 708½
2.	1		165.65	" 845
3.	6		985.88	" 899½
	4.3		432.90	" 898
	41		6084.96	
	45		6859.72	Standard.
	86		1294468	= 13,060.20

15.197.32

Value @ #1.22½ per St. ℔. ... #15,998.75

Seven Boxes #37@43.

Feb. 6. 1857.

Over

Treasury Department
Fiscal Auditor's Office
February 6th 1857

Hon Daniel Sturgeon
Treas. U. S. Mint
Phila.

Sir

I have received your Copper
Warrant No's for January 1857

Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt

L. Schmidt
Audr.

Feby. 8th. 7.

Gents:

All silver without reference as to date, mint or denomination, will be received by this institution at the rate of $1.22½ per oz. and upon the terms stated in the Circular of which I enclose you a copy. Generally payment of a deposit may be expected upon the day succeeding the making of the deposit.

Yours &c:

James Roosevelt
Director.

Messrs. David Preston & Co.,
Detroit, Mich.

REFERENCES.

Hon. R. Wilkins, U. S. Judge, Detroit.	F. G. Adams, Chicago, Ill.	Bank of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa.	Dunlevy, Drake & Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.
J. W. Clark & Co., Boston, Mass.	Mygat & Brown, Cleveland, Ohio.	John Thompson, New York.	J. R. Lee & Co., Buffalo, N. Y.
C. P. Brown, Bangor, Me.	Tesson & Danjen, St. Louis, Mo.	Southern Bank, Indiana.	Rev. S. D. Simonds, San Francisco, Cal.

LAND WARRANTS!

	BUYING.	SELLING.
40 Acres,	$.....	$.....
80 Acres,	.....	.....
120 Acres,	.....	.....
160 Acres,	.....	.....

BANKING HOUSE OF DAVID PRESTON & CO.

(ESTABLISHED MAY, 1852.)

Detroit, Mich., (130 Jefferson Avenue,) Feb 5 185 7

Hon Mr Saunders Supt of the Mint

Dear Sir:

We have received your favor of the _____ with enclosures as stated.

Will you please inform me at what rate per ounce the Spanish change (1/4 1/8 & 1/16) is used at the Mint. What is given in change therefor. Would there be any delay if so how much. Do you make any distinction between the Spanish & Mexican change?

Yours truly

David Preston & Co

Assay Office of the United States, New-York,

Treasurer's Department,

February 6. 1857

Sir

Herewith you have receipt of the Adams Express Company, and my Statement of Seven Boxes, 86 bars, 12,944.68 oz Silver bullion, Net value @ $1.22½ per St. oz. = $. 15,998.75 The receipt of which please acknowledge, and remit in payment $10,000. in half dimes, and $5,998.75 in quarter dollars.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob. Svt.

Wm. J. Allen
Treasurer

Daniel Sturgeon Esq.
Treas. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 85 Received of the Treasurer of the United States Assay Office, New York.

Box containing ..... Gold Bullion,

Seven " " 12 gun. 68 Ozs Silver "

Parcel " .....

Amounting in Net value to $ 15 998.75

Fifteen Thousand Nine Hundred & Ninety eight 75/100 Dollars

which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer of the United States Mint at Philadelphia at Cents per One Thousand Dollars.

New York, Feb 6 1857

Adams Express Co. J. Babcock

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia, Feb 6. 1857

Sir

I present the following report on the fineness and value of certain foreign gold and silver coins, as required by the acts of Congress of January 25, 1834, and March 3, 1843; said coins being made "current as money and ~~a~~ receivable for the payment of all debts and demands" within the United States, upon certain terms, to be ascertained by this report.

Gold Coins.

The gold coins of Great Britain, if not less than 915½ thousandths fine, are receivable at 94.6 cents per pennyweight, and gold coins of France, not less than 899 thousandths, at 92.9 cents, ~~gold coins of~~ per pennyweight. As those coins no longer find their way to the Mint, and ~~so~~ scarce by into the country, except it may be a few pieces at a time, we are unable to say more than as in former reports, that on the average they are equal to the terms upon which they are made current.

The gold coins of other countries, named in the act, either do not fulfil the terms stated, or have been superseded by new issues, of different standards.

Silver Coins.

All the silver coins, made current by the acts in question, are received at the Mint, and in domestic trade generally, at a premium upon the legal rates; so that the provisions in respect to them are superseded. I subjoin however, a statement of their average weight and fineness, and value per piece and per ounce ~~(as near as may be)~~ as paid for by purchase at the Mint. It should be noted, that the fractional parts of Spanish and other dollars, were not included in the acts of Congress, as ~~receivable, or to be~~ legally current. They have nevertheless held a far larger place in our currency than any or all others ~~named~~ in those acts. It is gratifying to be able to say, that the bare anticipation of a law defining their value, as somewhat inferior to their yield at the Mint, ~~as bullion~~, has already had the effect of ~~throwing~~ them out of currency to a great extent, and sending them here for recoinage. At this juncture, therefore, a statement of their ~~assay~~ weight, fineness, and Mint value, made up from pretty large averages, will be of interest to the public, and is included in the annexed schedule. It should be observed, that in ~~that~~ averaging these coins, those which were so worn as to be ~~scarcely capable of identification~~ almost past identifying, were taken into the account, with those ~~of a~~ in better condition.

Denomination.	Weight.	Fineness.	Price paid at the Mint.	
	Grains.	Thousandths	Per piece. Cents.	Per ounce. Cents.
Spanish pillar-dollars	412½	900	105.3	122.50
Dollars of Mexico, mint	416¼	901	106.3	122.64
Dollars of Peru, prior to the recent changes	415	906	106.5	123.32
Dollars of Bolivia	416½	902	106.5	122.77
Dollars of Cent: America	416	870	102.7	118.42
Five-francs of France, mint	384	901	99.	122.64
Worn Spanish quarters	92⅛	900	23.5	122.50
Do. eighths	42⅞	900	10.9	122.50
Do. sixteenths	20⅛	900	5.2	122.50

There is a class of dollars, which is generally mistaken for the true Spanish pillar-dollar, but is decidedly inferior, being worth only 101 cents on the average, and withal very irregular. They were coined by the royal party in the revolutionary times of Mexico, and may be known by their defaced appearance, which is not due to wear, but to blows of the hammer, by which they were coined; whence they are called "hammered dollars."

I have the honor to be
with great respect
your faithful servant,

Director of the Mint.

Hon James Guthrie
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City.

A correct copy of the original:

Att: G/M-

Letter from Peter Maverick
Assistant Engraver.

FARMERS BANK

Feb 6. 7.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge your favor of the 26th ult. enclosing check for $1000. The same has been collected and the proceeds sent to you this day in Half dollars, per Adams Express bill whose receipt therefor is enclosed herewith.

Very respectfully
James Rob Chapman
Director of the Albion.

W. C. Wheless Esq
Cash. Farmers Bank Tenn.
Knoxville

FARMERS' BANK OF TENNESSEE,

W. T. WHELESS, Cashier

Knoxville, Jan 26th 1857

Mr J. R. Snowden
Sup. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the
is received, with enclosure I enclose my Ck for 2225. on
Metropolitan Bk NY for $1000— for which
please send me $1000— in Half Dollars
(half dollars) by Express, as quick as you can

Respectfully &c
W. T. Wheless
Cash'r

Jan. 31, 1857 Check deposited for collection
Feb. 6, '57 Proceeds sent per Adams & Co's Express Co. as above requested

Treasury Department
Comptrollers Office
February 6th 1857.

Daniel Sturgeon Esqr
Treasurer of the U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Penn.

Sir

Your account of Copper Coinage for the Month of November 1856 has been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance found due from you to the United States of $1121.22, also your account of Ordinary Expenses for the Month of December 856. balance due United States $13.792.77-

Most Sincerely
Yours
Elisha Whittlesey
Comptroller.

Pittsburgh Feb 6th 1857

Das Ros Snowden Esqr
Director of the U S Mint

Sir

Yours of the 3d is duly received and we reply beg to state that one pair of the Rolls is finished and the others we are about to commence on and get them ready as soon as possible and send them on to you — The severe weather has thrown us back considerable or you would have heard from.

Respectfully
John C Parry
By D K Trump

Tarrytown Bank
Tarrytown N.Y. Feb 7. 1857

Hon J. Ross Snowden
Director of the U.S. Mint. Phil.a

Sir.

I am desirous of getting a few of the New Cent Coins for specimens to place in my collection of Coins, and will feel greatly obliged if you will enclose ten or three to my address.

Very Respectfully
Yours &
W.H. Gerard

March 2, 7.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge your favor of the 28th ult.

The figures on the coin enclosed in your letter, are too much obliterated to determine with certainty the date of the piece. The genuine cent of 1810, if there is any, must be like the cent of 1814 or 1816. Sometimes the 8 in 1813, is ingeniously hammered into a 5, to satisfy the desire of coin-collectors.

Very respectfully.
S. R. Mandeville
Director of Mint

John Brady Esq
437 W. Baltimore Street.
Baltimore

P.S. I return herewith the coin enclosed in your letter.

Dec. 13th 1

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 9th inst., received today, I have to state that no cattle were exported in the year 1855, except a few Specimen Beasts.

I send enclosed for your acceptance, a Specimen of the Shorthorn Cow Cecil. It is composed of 87 per cent. Coffee and 12 per cent. Rhubarb, and weighs 12 grains.

The Cow Bill authorising this Cow is now before Parliament, and by request of such I have sent a Cow answering the present description.

I am Respectfully
Your Obedient,
James Robertson
Secretary of the Board.

John Bradley Esq
Ballinrobe

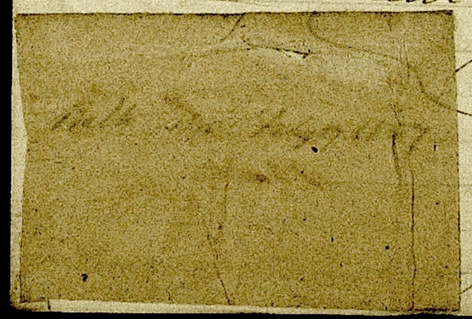
Balto Md Feby 18/57

Las Ross Snowden Esqr

Dear Sir

I recd your kind letter with a "new Cent" enclosed which I feel quite proud of and am very thankfull to you for your kindness I once more trouble you to asertain whether or not the enclosed Cent (which I send for your examination) is one of the original genuine date of 1815 I am very anxious to know as I am making a Collection of american Cents I know your time is very precious on matters of more importance than answering letters of this nature but believe me dear Sir it will be the last that I shall send

If it is not the genuine 1815 will you please give me the description of the Genuine one Shape of the Head &c &c



Believe me I Remain Yours
Very Respectfy
John Brady Bookseller
437. W. Baltimore St
Balto Md

To The Pres[t] of U. S. Mint

Dear Sir will you have the Kindness to inform me whether or not there was any American Cent of the year 1815 Coined? I am making a Collection of American Coins And I find it a very difficult thing to obtain one of the above year I will feel a thousand times obliged to you if you will give me the desired information there has been (and still is at the present time) considerable dispute about the above mentioned Coin There is a report that there was but 25 made another says that there was none milled &c&c

Dear Sir I will Consider it as a great favour if you will please answer this I am sorry that I have not the honour of knowing your name

Believe me I Remain
Respect Yours
John Brady (Bookseller)
437. W. Baltimore St
Balte Md

Feby 9th 1857

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, February 9th 1857.

Dear Sir,

I desire to call the attention of the Board of Assay Commissioners now convened, to the circumstance that within a recent period, important and material improvements have been made in the Mint edifice, for the purpose of rendering it entirely fire-proof, and to give additional security to the treasure deposited in its vaults.

These improvements have been made in consequence of an appropriation made by Congress, on the recommendation of the Hon: James Guthrie, Secretary of the Treasury, to whom it was suggested that the building was insecure and the arrangement of the rooms appropriated to the different branches of business might be materially improved.

In view of this subject I respectfully suggest to the Board, whether it might not be advantageous and proper that an examination of the Mint building be made; and an inquiry instituted whether any further improvements are necessary to render the Mint more efficient, or give additional security to the bullion and coin deposited therein; and whether any further facilities are required for the Annual Assay at the Mint.

I have the honor to be,
With great Respect
Your Obedient Servant
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint

Hon: John K. Kane
Chairman of the Board of Assay Commissioners.

Assay Office of the United States, New-York,

Treasurer's Department,

February 9. 1857

Sir

Your two letters of the 6th inst. were duly acc.d. inclosing Assay Num.o of Silver bullion transmitted on the 28th ult. and receipt of the Adams Express Co for $ 32.270.71 in Silver Coins. in Payment for the same, which have arrived this day, and you are credited with that amount.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob. Sot.

John J. Cisco
Treasurer.

P.S Mr Cisco acknowledges the receipt of 10 new Specimen Cent pieces from Mr Stungen with many Thanks.

Daniel Stungen Esq.
Assayer U.S Mint
Philadelphia

Philada Feby 10th 1857

Sir

I am compeld to report that the (darkness)
front part of the was in total, all last
night in consequence of the gas not
burning and the watch not being
able to get in (the) room where the meeter
is it being lockt and we not being able
to find the Key, this same thing
happens frequently, most of the Rooms
in the building is lockt, and if any
thing was to hapen we would not be able
to get in unless we breake the
Windows or doors

Yours A Brunner

Senate Chamber U.S.S.
February 10. 1857

Dear Sir.

A petition from Mr. Edward N. Kent, asking compensation for the invention of an apparatus (which is alleged to be in operation at the Mint and also at the Assay Office in New York,) for separating the precious metals from foreign substances, by which great saving accrues to the government, has been referred to the Committee on Finance for consideration.

You will oblige me if you will inform me what your opinion is of the value of this apparatus and state what measure of compensation if any ought to be made to Mr. Kent for the use of his invention at the Mint of the United States, its branches and Assay offices.

Yours respectfully
W. W. Hunter

Hon. James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia Pa.

Feb. 13th 1

Dear Sir,

Your communication of the 9th inst. including Rob. Hunt's Essays for publishing Surveys received. The Essays will be put into the hands of the Printer without delay. Before obliging the Public with your Remarks I should be happy to have your answers to the Queries of the Society which have been prepared from the imperfect accounts of the Country. Should any more of them be returned, which will be in a few days, I shall add you on the list.

I have the honor to be
Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servant,

Thos. Jefferson

Hon. Rich.d Hunter
Chairman of Surveys
on Roanoke &c.

Thos. Jefferson
Director of the Inst.

Roby. 11th. 9.

Sir

I am reply to your letter of 8th inst.
in reference to a deposit of Silver Coin, I enclose
you a copy of my Circular regulating the handling
thereof, which will furnish you with the information
you desire.

I am &c.

James Ross Snowden
Director

Mr. Ed. A. Griffing
Hinkley, Illinois

Pontiac. Mich
February 3 1857.

Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia

Dear Sir will you be so kind as to inform me what I can get at the Mint for 125 Dollars of Silver Coin of ola dates before 1850 I have money which I had saved to get made into Spoons and other Articles but if I can get Enough to pay the trouble I will send to the mint and get Gold for it as there is not a man Either here or in Detroit who manufactures such Articles

Respectfully Your Obt Servt
George A. Griffing

HENRY J. ULLMANN,
President.
DANIEL ULLMANN,
Cashier.

The Bank of Racine,
WISCONSIN.

Racine, Feby 12 1857

United States Mint
Philadelphia Penn

Enclosed please find our Sight draft on New York to your order for $100.
please send us by express pennies for above amount Obligo
Yours truly
Daniel Ullmann

(Proceeds returned, May 2, 1857)

Treasury Department
Feb: 12. 1857.

Sir

Several applications have been made for copies of the New laws, and the Department would be pleased to receive a few copies for distribution if you have them to spare

I am very Respt.
W. Washington Lee Chief
Sec of the Treasury

J. R. Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint.
Philada.

Feb. 14th 7.

Sir,

We acquainted in our Letter from office the 12th inst. I send you herewith several Copies of the Pamphlet containing the Laws relating to the Board. Also a few Copies of a Pamphlet prepared for the use of the Surveyor Boards of Assize Commissioners. These Copies, I regret to state, contain several Typographical errors, - such affecting the substance however - Mr is stated to be for the Trial the Committee to whom the Subjects were referred only deposited a few days before the meeting of the Board, and it was therefore impossible without a difficult opportunity to correct the Proofs. Hereafter I shall have more perfect Copies furnished.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obedient

humble servant,

James Pattison Cockburn

Chairman pro tem.

Hon. James Stuart

Sec. of the Treasury.

Mint of the United States
Philad.a 12 Feb. 1807

Sir.

Your l.r of 28 Oct. last for Medal dies &c
was duly accepted. You will confer a favor
by naming the time at which you propose to
receive them.

Very respectfully
Sam.l Moore Secretary
Director of the Mint

Messrs. R. Longman & Bro
Brooklyn N.Y.

12 February —

Sir,

I have to request that you will issue your warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for forty four thousand two hundred and twenty five ($44,225) payable out of the appropriation for the support of the Mint, for the current year, viz:

For Salaries,	$6,975.00
Wages,	16,000.00
Freight on bullion	2,500.00
incidentals,	18,750.00
	44,225.00

I have the honor to be,
with great respect
your Obt Servt
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint

Hon James Guthrie
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington City

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Office of Commissioner of Customs,

February 15th 1857.

SIR:

I have this day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to direct that a remittance be made to you of $ 30000 ——— *for the* ~~*maintenance of sick and disabled seamen in your district, during the quarter ending*~~ Erection of Custom House at Louisville, Ky. and with which Marion Quer Superintendent of said Erection is Charged on the books of the Treasury.

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

H. J. Brown

Commissioner of Customs.

Daniel Sturgeon Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint,
Philada

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, February 13, 1857.

Sir,

The trial made at the Mint during the present week by the Assay Commissioners of the reserved coins of your N. Branch Mint for the Year 1856 resulted as follows, viz:

Value of gold coins reserved prior 15 December 1856 $8,593.50 Legal weight 461.899, actual

Feb. 13th 1.

Sir,

An application is made on behalf of the "Franklin Institute" of this City to obtain a number of medals for the premiums awarded by that Association. This has hitherto been done from the dies belonging to the Institute.

I respectfully refer the application to the Department.

I have the honor to be
with great respect
your faithful servant,

Samuel Ruggles Librarian of the Mint.

Hon. James Guthrie
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City.

Norfolk Va Feb 13th 1857

To the President of Mint

Sir I Send Dan 2 Powder Cags of Cent ~~s~~ Silver 1 Cag Contains $160 the Other Neark by the Same in Cent ~~s~~ Silver and 1 Gold Watch Case Please Send Mand the ~~A~~mount of Silver and the Amount of Watch Case I Send ~~them~~ by Pilat- Steamer and have Paid the Freight ~~$~~1 Which You will Repond Please Send me as much Silver as Dan Can in Quarters & Halves I Send Dan a Small Chain Please Send the Amount with the other and the Amount it Brings

Yours

John Ney

No 39 Market Square

From
Jno. Rey
Norfolk

Recd
Feb. 16/57

Received of the Director of the Mint a small gold chain represented to be that contained in the within letter from Jno. Rey

Thos. Webster Jr. Gl Agent
Union G. Shipley
per Geo: W. Greed

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Feb. 13 1857.

Dear Sir:

Herewith I hand you a letter from the Hon. R. M. T. Hunter Chairman of the Committee on Finance in the U.S. Senate, respecting the introduction of Prof. Kent's Furnace apparatus. Please give me your views upon the same, especially as regard its value as an economical apparatus; ~~and~~ & in

together with any other remarks upon it which you may think proper to transmit to me.

Very truly & Respectfully
Yours

Prof. J.C. Booth & S. R. Schenck
Melter & Refiner. Assistant
U.S. Mint.

February 13. 7.

Sir.

I have to inform You that the Annual Assay as constituted under the provisions of the 32nd Section of the Act of January 18, 1837, was held at the Mint on the 9th and 10th inst., when the following Commissioners were in attendance, viz:

Hon. L.H. Kane Judge of the District Court of the United States for the E.D. Pa. } 3 Commissioners ex officio
Charles Brown Esq Collector of the Phila. }

D. J. A. Hayes }
Hon. L. R. Findley } 3 Commissioners Specially designated
Maj. A. A. Bowman }
Prof. Socrates Mansfield }

The Commissioners absent were James C. Brady Esq U.S. District Attorney for the E.D. Pa. a Commissioner ex officio, and Prof. H. J. Anderson a special Commissioner.

Enclosed will be found a Table pre-
senting the results of the trials of the Gold and
Silver coins in the [illegible] and a Table of the
the results of the Weighings of Separate pieces
of the several coins of the Branch Mints
Dahlonega. Also, an extract from the Report
of the Committee on Weighing &c. which
relates to the coins of that Branch Mint.

The Commissioners conducted their
proceedings by the following resolutions, viz:
Resolved, that the examination of the Gold and
Silver Coins of the Mint and the Branch
for the Year 1856, is in their judgement satis-
and the results highly satisfactory; except
to the Branch Mint Dahlonega the ex-
of which rise above and fall below the
cumits allowed by law, as stated in the
report of the Committee on Weighing &c. Viz
one half eagle 3/16 of a grain below the standard
allowed by Law; one half eagle 3/16 of a grain
above the same standard; one gold dollar 1/16 of a

below the deviation allowed by law, the
1/16 of a grain above the same deviation, the
Commissioners recommend therefore, that
these facts be certified to the President of
the United States in compliance with the
32nd Section of the Act of 18th January 1837.

Resolved, That the weights & mea-
ily used in the transactions of the Mint,
having been tested by the legal standards
kept there, were found correct in all
except a slight variation in the small
ones, from daily use, but within the limits
of sufficient accuracy.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful Servant,
[redacted]
Director of the Mint.

Hon. James Guthrie,
Sec. of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Statement exhibiting the result of the trial of the Gold and Silver coins received at the Mint and Branches in the year 1866

Mints	Kinds of Metal and its particulars from which coined	Standard Weight	Fineness by Trial
Philadelphia	Gold Coins received	$5,196.00	900.907 900.910
	Silver Coins received previous of dollars	$191.45	896.150 896.970
	Dollars (Silver) received	$ 14.00	896.000 896.440
	Bar from Melt of Gold Coins		900.
	Granulations from Melt of Silver Coins		900.
San Francisco	Gold Coins received prior to Dec.	$ 8,596.50	461.899 461.895
	" " " during "	$ 472.50	25.450 25.460
	Silver Coins " prior "	$ 15.50	12.400 12.405
	" " " During "	$ 20	.160 .160
	Bar from Melt of Gold Coins prior to Dec.		900.4
	" " " " " during "		900.2
	Granulations from melt of Silver Coins		898.6
New Orleans	Gold Coins received	$ 200.-	16.722 16.714
	Silver Coins "	$ 349.00	279.280 279.275
	Bar from Melt of Gold Coins		900.3
	Granulations from Melt of Silver Coins		900.6
Charlotte	Gold Coins received	$ 20.-	16.750 16.745
	Bar from Melt of Gold Coins		899.5
Dahlonega	Gold Coins received	$ 200.-	12.520 12.540
	Bar from Melt of Gold Coins		899.7

Table exhibiting the results of the weighings of the
Nine pieces of Bronze coins from the Cabinet
of Mons. Beauchesne

Pieces Tried	Legal weight of single Piece	Actual Weights of single Pieces								
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Five half Copecks of Peter the Great	109 grains	115 grains	109 grains							
Ten Half Copecks of Peter the Great	109 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains
Five Half Copecks of Catherine	109 grains	112 grains	110 grains							
Ten Half Copecks of Catherine	109 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains	110 grains

Taunton
July 14. 1857.

Hon. J. Hodgson Esq
Treas.
Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 11th inst. we beg to say that we will want a few weeks for the amount due us for 60 sps pedestals, as suggested —

We remain
Truly yrs
Lincoln Bird & Co

Grosvenor Sq
Feb 14. 57

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find the fine gold sent me for experiment - I have never been able to have the proposed experiment tried by Practical Assayers -

Very Truly yours

A. H. Dawson

Col J. R. Snowden
Director U. S. Mint
Phila

THE ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

JOINT STOCK ASSOCIATION,

(Under the Laws of the State of New York.)

STOCKHOLDERS INDIVIDUALLY LIABLE.

Principal Office, 59 Broadway, New York.

MANAGERS:
Geo. W. Cass, Pittsburgh, Pa.
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E. S. Sanford, Philadelphia, Pa.
W. B. Dinsmore, New York;
Johnson Livingston, New York;
James M. Thompson, Springfield, Mass.
R. B. Kinsley, Fall River, R. I.
C. Spooner, Bridgeport, Conn.
John Bingham, Philadelphia, Pa.

$ 1059 60

Madison Agency, Feb 16 1857.

Received of Indiana Bank Duplicate

One Box

MARKED

W S Mint
Philada
Penna

And said to contain One Thousand & Fifty nine Dollars 60/100 Coined Silver

which we agree to forward to U S Mint Philada Penna

It is a part of the consideration of this contract, that THE EXPRESS COMPANY is not to be held responsible for any loss or damage arising from ocean or river navigation, or fire thereon, etc. **UNLESS SPECIALLY INSURED BY THEM. AND SO SPECIFIED IN THIS RECEIPT AND PREMIUM PAID.**

Freight, Paid

Insurance,

FOR THE PROPRIETORS,

R B McAdams **Agent.**

W. S. Haven, print.

Feb 16 1857

Adams Ex Co
Rec'd from
Indiana Bank
Madison Ind
$57
Fifty seven
100 Dollars
for Coined Silver
to be forwarded
by Express
to the
U S Mint
Philadelphia

INDIANA BANK.

Madison, Ind., Feby 16 1857

Director of
~~United States~~ Mint
Philad^a

Dear Sir

Send by Adams Co
Express one box old Silver, to wit
223 five Francs Estimated $211 55
87 Dollars " 87
1123 old halves " 561 50
560 " & Spanish qrs. " 140
a parcel old Coin estimated 59 25
For which please send by same
conveyance, proceeds in New
Silver quartern

Very Respectfully
E G Whitney Asst

BANKING HOUSE OF WILLIAM T. SMITHSON,

Washington City, Feby 16th 1857

To The Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

By Adams & Co's express to
today, I send you $230. in silver spanish coin.
Please report to me, as early as practica-
ble its value, by a certificate or otherwise.

Respectfully
Wm T. Smithson

Publishers of
HODGES' BANK NOTE DELINEATOR,
and Bank Note and Financial Reporter.

HODGES & COMPANY,
BANKERS & BROKERS,
271 Broadway.

New York, Feb 14th 1857

L. Ross Snowden Esq

Dear Sir

Will you please to inform us how you take Spanish made Coin in Exchange for the new Cent Coins. in Amounts of $500 or $1000 when they will be issued &c

& oblige

Your Obt Servants

Hodges & Co

Dec 19 /

Gentlemen:

In reply to your letter of
recent date I have to state that
the Case has not yet been settled
by Congress authorizing the payment
out.

Of course if counsel on both sides
should choose the title might take
before it becomes a Case - and then
as a probability that it would
not be settled during the present
session. I am in hope that
it will however. If so I will
take early measures to carry it
into effect.

Very Respectfully
your Obt Servant.

Messrs Morgan & Co
Bankers
No 53 Broadway
New York.

James Robertson
Director of the Mint.

July 16th 7

Sir:

The fractional parts of the Spanish and mexican dollars are received and paid for in the Bank at this establishment at the rate of 99½ per cent, and any other silver from what ever part of the world. No charge for assaying or other operation is made, the depositor receiving the full value of the deposit at the above rate of per cent without deduction. It may be interesting to you to know that one pound (avoirdupois) of these coins will yield on the average 1.07.6. that the finest usually yield 1.07.8 ounce - the eighth (three) 1.07.4 ounce - and the six hundredth (fifth) 1.07.0 ounce. If the parcel are very much worn their yield may not be so great.

Most respectfully,

Thos. Ustick Sullivan

Director.

Wm. Thos. Barnes,
Southbridge,
Mass.

Superintendent of U.S.
Mint at Philadelphia.

Dear Sir

Will you please inform
me what the "Premium rate"
are for the old Spanish 25-
27. & 8/4 St. Pieces?

How much Pr. Ct. does
the Mint receive the Jon.
What Pr. cent does the
Mint charge for receiving
Is the new Silver Coin of
the same Quality as that
coined before 1858?

By answering the above
you will very much
oblige

Yours Truly

Southbridge Mass. Wm. Thos. Barnes
Worcester Co.

Superintendent of U.S.
Mint at Philadelphia.

Dear Sir

Will you please inform
me what the Premium rate
are for the old Spanish 25
12½ & 6¼ Cent Pieces?

How much Pr. Ct. does
the Mint receive for
Silver Pr. cent does the
Mint charge for receiving?

Is the new Silver Coin of
the same Locality as that
Coined before 1858?

By answering the above
you will very much
oblige

Your Humble
Servt. Thos. Barnes
Worcester Co. Mass.

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1857/FEBRUARY (CONT.)

Statement of Deposits and Coinage

At the Mint of the United States, Philadelphia,

During the Month of February 1857.

Gold Bullion Deposited.

	Value.
From California,	$ 903.855
Other sources,	$ 7.110
Total Gold Deposits,	$ 910.965

Silver Bullion Deposited,

Including Silver Purchases,	$ 185.830
Total Gold and Silver Deposits,	$ 1.096.795

Coinage Executed.

GOLD.

Denomination.	*No. of Pieces.*	*Value.*
Double Eagles,		$
Eagles,		
Half Eagles,		
Quarter Eagles.	12730	31.825
Dollars,	200.691	200.691
Total,	213.421	$ 232.516

SILVER.

Dollars,		
Half Dollars,		
Quarter Dollars,		
Dimes,	1.140.000	114.000
Half Dimes,	1.120.000	56.000
Three Cent Pieces,		
Total,	2.260.000	$ 170.000

COPPER.

Cents,	$
Half Cents,	
Total,	$

RECAPITULATION.

Gold Coinage,	213,421	$ 232.516
Silver "	2.260.000	170.000
Copper, "		

Total No. of pieces, 2.473.421 Total value, $ 402.516

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, February 28 1857.

Director.

Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office
January 31st 1857.

Daniel Sturgeon Esq.
Treasurer of U. S. Mint
Philadelphia. Penna.

Sir.

Your account of Gold and Silver Bullion for the Quarter ending 30th September 1856. has been adjusted at the Treasury and a balance of $2,884,942.98. found in the Mint at that date, which arises as follows. viz;

Gold Bullion	ozs	24086.135	$447,555.93
Silver ditto	"	320,366.25	" 372,801.48
Gold Coins including assay pieces	$5,746.50		" 591,923.07
Silver ditto	"	1833.35	" 1472,662.50
			$2884,942.98

In your balance of "Silver Bullion deposited for Coinage", it should be 268.65 ounces instead of 258.68. as appears in the Summary Statement.

The error occurred in bringing balance forward

from the 2d quarter 1855. which you will observe by referring to your account for 3rd quarter 1855.

Most Sincerely
Yours
Elisha Whittlesey,

Comptroller.

No. 86.

One hundred & nineteen Fine Gold Bars transmitted to the U.S. Mint for coinage, in pursuance of the act of March 1855, by John D. Cisco. Treas. of the Md. Assay Office, New York.

1857
Feb. 18. Nine Boxes # 9 to 17. containing

Nos. 285	@ 322. 38	1 Bars	weigh.	ounces dec. 9647.63	@ 990½
" 323	@ 341. 19	"	"	4806.00	" 991
" 342	@ 403. 62	"	"	9826.77	" 991½
				24280.40	
				.88	.4 Ozs

Stand. weight 26,735.517 ounces dec.

Gross Value. $497,404.97

Deduct for coinage 1/2 % 2,487.02

Net Value, $494,917.95

Treasury Department
Feby 28th. 1857

Sir.

The Collector of Customs at Philadelphia has been directed to admit free of duty or charges the "Bonnaimfos" referred to in your letter of 27th Inst. addressed to "imposter for the use of the U. S. Mint."

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Isaac Linder
Sect of the Treasury

J. Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

U. S. Assay Office, New York,

Treasurer's Department.

Febmary 28. 1857.

Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of the 27th inclosing a pay memorandums of gold and Silver bullion Nos 87 and 88.

Also by the Adams Express Company, 4 Silver Coins in payment of invoices Nos 85 and 87. amounting to $ 28,918 48/100 and have placed the same to your credit.

Very Respy Yours

Wm. J. Hoey
Treasurer

Daniel Strugeon Esq
Treasurer U S Mint
Phila.

South Paris / Maine / Feb 28. 1857

S.R. Snowden Esq,

Dear Sir.

As a matter of Curiosity, I desire to see the "New cent," just authorized to be coined, by Congress. - I suppose you have some of them prepared in advance, and if not, will do me the favor to gratify me by sending me a specimen from the earliest emission, to the amount of the enclosed price, minus the postage - I am aware that this is a small matter to trouble you with, but you will pardon my curiosity, and gratify me, I have no doubt -

Very respectfully

William A. Rust

(Copy.)

Assayer's Office, Feb. 28, 1857.

Assay of Melter & Refiner's and Coiner's Sweeps of 1856.

Lots.	Composed of	Fineness. Gold.	Fineness. Silver.	Net Weight Lbs. avoir.	Containing Gold. Lbs. avoir.	Containing Silver. Lbs. avoir.
Melter & Refiner's Sweep:						
No. 1	10 Bbls. Nos. 1 to 10	0.00094	0.00163	4.015	3.774 dec.	6.544 dec.
2	10 " 11 " 20	0.00079	0.00115	3.178	2.510	3.654
3	10 " 21 " 30	0.00113	0.00116	4.035	4.559	4.680
4	10 " 31 " 40	0.00116	0.00209	4.374	5.074	9.142
5	10 " 41 " 50	0.00100	0.00111	3.681	3.681	4.086
6	10 " 51 " 60	0.00108	0.00160	4.117	4.440	6.587
7	10 " 61 " 70	0.00123	0.00138	4.259	5.238	5.877
8	10 " 71 " 80	0.00111	0.00148	4.341	4.818	6.425
9	10 " 81 " 90	0.00137	0.00160	4.189	5.739	6.702
10	10 " 91 " 100	0.00153	0.00256	4.179	6.394	10.698
11	10 " 101 " 110	0.00110	0.00267	4.446	4.890	11.871
12	10 " 111 " 120	0.00102	0.00208	4.149	4.232	8.630
13	10 " 121 " 130	0.00107	0.00150	4.027	4.307	4.040
14	10 " 131 " 140	0.00191	0.00441	4.465	8.528	19.690
15	10 " 141 " 150	0.00079	0.00169	4.181	3.303	7.060
16	7 " 151 " 157	0.00091	0.00092	1.973	1.795	1.815
				63.609		
Coiner's Sweep						
1	3 Bbls. Nos. 1, 2, 3	0.00269	no silver.	1.215	3.266	— —
			Total,	64.824	76.458	117.507
					22.079.36	$ 4.253.83
			Value $		20.744.18	1.994.00
			Per Lb.		32 cts.	3 cts.
					35 6/10 cts	3 41/100

The above is a correct copy taken from the Sweep Register of the late Assayer.

(Signed) J. H. Snyder,
Assayer

To Hon. P. Lott, Supt.

1 Bbl. marked "1856" not included in the Assay report or Invoice rec'd from Cal.

Mem: Value per California assay,	as above per Lb.	39. 35. cts
Value per Dr. Torrey's assay	Gold 38.8, Silver 3.1 = 41.9 cts.	
Longman's offer accepted		43 "

157 Bbls. Melter & Refiner's Sweep
3 " Coiner's
1 " not invoiced
161 " Rec'd & Sold.

76.558 Th. av. fine gold = 1,116.70 oz. fine

fine

1 oz. fine gold = $20.671835

Therefore 1,116.70 =

$23079.45

855 67
301.46425
21102497 5
18067855
1507321
150732
24117

23079.50000

117.50 Th fine silver

822.549 (1713.64 ozs fine

542
225
65
174
144
309
288
210

15579
1463
199406

$2215.61

Note: 432 grams fine gold = $18.604651.16
7000 " (or 1 lb. av) = $301.46425

Therefore 76.558 x $301.46425 = $23,079.50

The amendments made by the Superintendent are founded on a proper basis. The proper value of the gold is $23079.48 of the silver $2215.61, differing slightly from the estimate at Calcutta

Philada Feby 28th 1

Sir,

The usual Monthly count and ex-
amination made at the Mint at the close of
this day's business, exhibited the following
balances in the hands of the Treasurer.
Viz:

In Gold Coins		$ 779.970.84
" Silver "	"	549.683.04
" Ordinary Fund	"	33,240.42
" Repair Fund	"	2,250.75
Total		$ 1,365,145.05

Which amount corresponds with the balance
stated upon the books of account in this
Office.

The balance in the hands of the
Asst. Treasurer of the U. S. at the same time
was $729.920.09, in gold and silver coin agreeing
with that Offices books of account.

An examination with the condition

of the Most generally [illegible]
evidence that the business of the [illegible]
must be conducted with [illegible] care
and a proper attention alike to the
interests of the Government and the public.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect
Your faithful [illegible]
[illegible]
Director of the Mint

Hon James J. Guthrie,
Sec. of the Treasury.
Washington City.

Exhibit 7

No. 6

The enclosed statement exhibits the Imports & tonnage at the Mint during the Month ending 30 June

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful Servant,
James Ross Snowden,
Director Mint U. States

Hon. James Guthrie,
Sec. of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Norwich Conn Feby 28th 57

Mr Snowden

Dear Sir

Will you be so kind as to inform me. weather American. quarters Dimes & 1/2 Dimes. are paid out at the Mint. at par. for Spanish quarter 12½ & 6¼ pence

As there is a question pending which only an American can decide. you Sir will, not think me Troublesome.

Yours with Respect.
David Gordon

Wauregan House
Norwich Conn

Duplicate.

Philadelphia February 28th 1857

At United States Branch Mint. San Francisco.

Bought of WILLIAM H. SCHIVELY,

Terms: { Any deductions are to be claimed within 5 days after delivery of the Goods. }

Importer of DRUGS, CHEMICALS, COLORS, APOTHECARIES' WARE, &c.,

No. 43 North Front Street.

Five Porcel. Ref. Pots @ 220 lb (2 handles)	@ $1.45 per lb	$ 225. —
Off duties @ $4.86 each	"	24. 30
		$ 200. 70.
Cartage	"	1. — $ 201. 70

Rec'd Payment
W. H. Schively

U. S. Assay Office, New York,

Treasurer's Department.

February 27. 1857.

Sir

Your letter of the 25th inst. was duly received, in which you state your desire to pay for gold bullion invoice No. 88 Transmitted on the 23d in the smaller denominations of gold coins, I have to reply, that inasmuch as I now have on hand, a large quantity of such, which I find inconvenient to use in large payments, it will be productive of embarassment for me to receive other than double eagles, as requested.

The Silver coins by the Adams Express Company have been rec'd, and the amount $ 17,947.43 placed to your credit.

Very Respy Yours.

Wm. J. Dec
Treasurer

Daniel Strugeon Esq
Treas. U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Office of the Assistant Treasurer, U. S.

New York, Feby 28th 1857.

Daniel Sturgeon Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint.

Sir

I have this day forwarded by the Adams Express Co. for collection, Treasure draft No 3713. on you, in my favor, payable in Silver Coins. I will thank you to transmit in payment as follows. Viz.

Half dollars	$ 10.000.
Quarter do	25.000
Dimes	10.000
Half dimes	5.000
	$ 50.000.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servant.
Jno. J. Cisco
Asst Treas.

Banking House of Dayton & Smith,
No. 73 BLEEKER STREET.
MANHATTAN SAVINGS BANK BUILDING.

New York, Feby 27th 1837

A. Wolf Snowden Esq.

Dr Sir

We have about five hundred Dolls in Spanish Coin, for which we wish the new Cents. Having applied at the Assay office in this City we were advised to write to you and ascertain when you would be able to deliver them, and how we should send you the Coin, whether by express, or by delivery at the Assay office, or otherwise as you may suggest

Respectfully Yours
Dayton & Smith

February 28. 7

Sir.

Your favor of the 27th inst. is received. In reply I have to state that as soon as the Mint is prepared to issue the new Cent coin a Circular, containing the terms upon which the same will be exchanged, will be published and a copy of the same mailed to your address.

Very respectfully,
Your Obedt. Servt.
Director of the Mint.

Messrs Clayton & Kissam,
Bankers No. 73 Beekman St.
New York.

February 27. 7.

Sir,

Six Porcelain Refining Pots, imported for the use of the Branch Mint San Francisco, have arrived at this Port in the Barque "Yeoman". I have to request that You will furnish me with the usual order on the Collector of the Port, for the admission of these Pots to free entry.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect.
Your faithful Servant.
Samm Rob. Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Lewis Cathcart,
Sec. of the Treasury,
Washington City.

United States assay Office
New York Feby 26th 1857

Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure to acknowledge your kindness in furnishing me with copies of Mr Hunters letter to you, your reply to the same, and Prof. Booths report on the subject. I regret to find however that you have misunderstood the nature of the enquiry in the second clause of Mr. Hunters letter. He says "You will oblige me if you will inform me what your opinion is of the value of this apparatus, and state what measure of compensation, if any is allowed ought to be made to Mr Kent for the use of his invention at the Mint of the United States, its branches, and assay Office"

It is evident to my mind, that the opinion asked for is simply this. 1st Your opinion of the value of the apparatus. 2? If any compensation is allowed, what measure of Compensation ought to be made to Mr Kent? In other words, the Committee are supposed to be competent to judge whether any compensation ought to be made, and that you, as Director of the Mint, are the most competent to say what measure of compensation ought to

be made, as you have such information, and know the value of the invention.

This theory accords also with my request to Mr Hunter, that the Committee should "call upon the Director of the Mint, and the Supt. of the Assay Office, and they knowing the value of my invention will be happy to furnish the information." It is evident that your opinion was asked for in reply to this request.

I trust therefore, that in justice to me, you will withdraw the general opinion you have expressed, and substitute an answer suitable to the spirit of the enquiry made of you by the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Very Respectfully
Your obt. Servant

Edward De Kendt

Hon. James Ross Snowden
Director U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Feby. 24th 7

Dear Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of yesterday.

If I have misunderstood the object of Mr. Hemlow's note to me I greatly regret it. I have given expression to an opinion long entertained and frequently acted upon, both during the Legislature and the progress of the subject of Compensation, and which the principles stated by me appear to your information. In regard to the last point you present as embracing the whole inquiry I have to depart that I entertain the most favorable opinion of the terms of your Resolutions of appointment; and as to the second point namely "If Legislation any Compensation, what manner of Compensation ought to be made", I have to reply that it is difficult to state what should be the nature of Compensation. According to the report of Mr. Booth the Clerk and Register of the Court, he swore by the use of your Appropriation Amounts to about $1500 per annum.

the Mint office, New-York, I learn that a mint Coppe
piece has been named. Mo New-Orleans and San
Francisco the operation has not been introduced, so that
we have no results from those branches. Of the
data belonging to the government in the three departm
Compensation when the Committee have in their possess
data from which they can determine the amount
or from which they can fix such sum as would
be in their opinion a suitable remuneration for the
introduction of your apparatus into the monetary
establishments of the United States.

I am with great respect,
Your obt. Servant,
Sam. Pl. Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Edwards N. Kent Esqr.
New-York.

New York Feb 21st 1857

Mr Jas Ross Snowden
Director U S Mint
Philadelphia Pa

Sir The law passed Congs relative to the redemption of the Spanish Money with the new Cent

Will you please say how soon the cents will be ready & if you have a sample will you please enclose me one I have a few hundred doll of Spanish Silver on hand & if the Cent should prove nice shall purchase a few thousand doll of Spanish coin on speculation If you will let me have the 1st 2,000 doll coined I will furnish the Spanish coin & give you one per cent for the privilege

Yours in confidence
B. F. Smith

Care of Platt, Bottein
No 4 Liberty Place
N York

I wish to know if you will coin the new cent for parties & make a charge if you will I will make it still more of an object to you for the 1st 100,000 dollars worth of cents & I furnish the metal.

Yours in confidence

J. B. F. Smith

REFERENCES.

Hon. R. Wilkins, U. S. Judge, Detroit.	F. O. Adams, Chicago, Ill.	Bank of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa.	Dunlevy, Drake & Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.
J. W. Clark & Co., Boston, Mass.	Mygat & Brown, Cleveland, Ohio.	John Thompson, New York.	J. R. Lee & Co., Buffalo, N. Y.
C. P. Brown, Bangor, Me.	Tesson & Danjen, St. Louis, Mo.	Southern Bank, Indiana.	Rev. S. D. Simonds, San Francisco, Cal.

LAND WARRANTS!

	BUYING.	SELLING.
40 Acres,	$.....	$.....
80 Acres,	.....	.....
120 Acres,	.....	.....
160 Acres,	.....	.....

BANKING HOUSE OF DAVID PRESTON & CO.

(ESTABLISHED MAY, 1852.)

Detroit, Mich., (136 Jefferson Avenue,) Feb 26 185 7

How can we do Northern

Philadelphia

Dear Sir:

We have received your favor of the with enclosures as stated.

We have to day sent you per express $200 of Spanish change. Please send amt in new cents if ready, if not send proceeds in dimes & 1/2 dimes

Yours truly

David Preston & Co

Allentown Bank,
ALLENTOWN, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA.

Feby 26. 57

Dr Sturgeon
Dr. U.S Mint

Sir

The
Coinage bill having now become
a Law will you please inform
me whether you redeem old Copper
(which I presume you do) in exchange
of the new issue and also whether
the Spanish Coin amendment to the
bill remains as offered

Yours &c
Chas W. Cooper.

Treasury of the United States
25 February 1857

Sir

Please forward by Adams Express Co. to
in Cents of the New Coinage, the Amount of
inclosed Transfer Draft No 3712 $1.000.—

Very respectfully
Your Obt
Sam Casey
Treasurer U.S.

Sam. Hueston Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treasurer Mint Philadelphia

Feb. 25 1857

Transfer dft. No. 3712 favor Sam'l. Casey Treas. U.States. for $1.000-

207 Baltimore Street

Baltimore Md. Feby 24th 1857

To John Ross Snowden Esqr.

Dear Sir

Will you have the great kindness to describe the genuine Washington Cent.

I possess a Coin which I claim to be the genuine "Washington Cent" I paid ten dollars for it and have had it for many years.

Some Gentleman here who pretend to know a great deal about American Coin pronounce it spurious

It bears on one side the head of Washington, with this inscription "Washington President" date "1791" Reverse, a Spread eagle, over whose head are the words "one cent" around the edge are the words. "United States of America."

If this marks the genuine article you will confer a lasting fav

on me and settle a "Vexed question"

And I would also feel grateful to you if you will be good enough to enclose in your reply. one of the new Cent pieces.

May I ask you, sir, to describe the Washgt. Cent.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Yours
Jno. F. Bradley

Ans. Feb 26. 1857

P. S.

There is a Washington half dollar somewhere in this City. If I fail to get it I will inform you. for it is a Coin that ought to be in proper hands, as otherwise it may get lost forever.

J. F. B.

No. 89.

Seventy seven Bars of Silver Bullion transmitted to the U.S. Mint for Coinage, pr. act of March 1855, by John F. Cisco Treasurer of the U.S. Assay Office, N.Y.

Nos.	Bars	Gross Wt.		Nos.	Bars	Gross Wt.		Nos.	Bars	Gross Wt.	
		ounces	dec			ounces	dec			ounces	dec
104.	3	weight	422.26 @ 899	116.	1	Weight	171.45 @ 900	128.	2	weight	105.40 @ 896½
5.	2	"	219.45 899	7.	3	"	410.53 897	9.	2	"	221.13 900
6.	4	"	670.51 900	8.	2	"	233.73 899	130.	1	"	86.45 900
7.	4	"	766.41 899½	9.	1	"	73.74 899½	1.	2	"	328.52 900
8.	1	"	71.63 896½	120.	1	"	150.65 900	2.	3	"	497.78 893½
9.	1	"	148.28 898	1.	1	"	88.13 900	3.	1	"	87.11 894½
110.	4	"	735.96 898½	2.	1	"	114.63 900	4.	1	"	216.75 899
1.	4	"	734.58 898	3.	1	"	177.88 900	5.	1	"	85.58 895½
2.	6	"	1102.95 898	4.	2	"	206.90 900	6.	4	"	604.61 900
3.	1	"	71.60 898	5.	1	"	81.63 898½	7.	1	"	156.55 900
4.	1	"	161.81 836	6.	7	"	1320.24 898	8.	1	"	70.95 900
5.	1	"	87.63 899	7.	1	"	154.47 899½	9.	1	"	77.96 900
	32		51.93.07		22		3183.98	140.	3		450.25 850
									23		2989.04

77 Bars weight 11366.09 gr. = 11313.27 Standard gr.
16 0.07 oz
February 24. 1857. Value @ 1.22½ pr. oz. $13858.76

Warehouse Point, Feb 22 1897

Dear Sir

For the enclosed — with 25c. please to forward by mail one of the "New-ends" and oblige yours

H & H Howard
Warehouse Point — Conn

Feb. 26th 1

Sir,

Our specimen cards are nearly exhausted but I send you one as requested.

I am making arrangements for the Coinage of the cent. the dies for which have been hardened, having become a Law: and the other approved: but it will be some weeks before the cards are ispued.

Very Respectfully
your obt. servant,

James Ross Snowden

H. E. Howard Esqr. Director of the Mint.
Manchester Point.
Connecticut.

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13,840.85

U. S. Assay Office, New York,

Treasurer's Department.

8000 1/2 1/2 1/4
990
7,840.85 1/4
1,568.17

175.

February 24. 1857

Sir

Your letter of the 23d inst enclosing Assay Nums of gold Bullion transmitted in the 19th is received; also $ 494,926.51 in gold Coins, by the Adams Express Company in payment thereof.

As per receipt and Statement herewith I have this day forwarded in the usual manner, Six boxes of Silver bullion, weighing 11.316.19 Oz gross. amounting in net value @ $ 1.22½ pr St. Oz. to $. 13,858.76 the receipt of which please acknowledge, and remit in payment as follows. $ 1000. in Three cent pieces, in $ 30. parcels: $ 5,000. in ½ dollars; $ 7,858.76 in ¼ dollars.

24,20
4 6 0
1 4
2 4 0 0
4 8 0
6 4 0

Daniel Sturgeon Esq
Treas' U.S. Mint.

Very Respy
Your Ob. Svt.
J Wm J Cheo
Treasurer

P.S. Please inform me if you can send at once $ 500. of the new cent pieces? as I am greatly in want of them.

24,10
4 8 2
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JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 89 Received of the Treasurer of the United States

Assay Office, New York.

Box containing ——— Gold Bullion,

Six " " 11366.09 Oz. Silver "

Parcel " ———

Amounting in Net value to $13,858.76

Thirteen Thousand Eight Hundred and

fifty eight 76/100 Dollars,

which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer of the United States Mint at Philadelphia at ——— Cents per One Thousand Dollars.

New York, Feb 24th 1857. Dinsmore

Adams Express Co.

Boston Feby. 24. 1857

Daniel Sturgeon Esq
Treasurer.

Sir

I notice that the new Coinage Bill in relation to Spanish & Mexican Silver provides, that the Director of the Mint may pay out the full nominal value of such coin in new cents.

I am desirous of ascertaining if the full value will be paid for such coin, no matter how much it may have lost in weight by mutilation, or depreciated by wear; and also if those pieces which are current for 20. 10 & 5 cent pieces in consequence of being cleaved in the manner X will be received for their full value as. 1/4. 1/8 ths & 1/16 ths.

You will oblige by informing me when the new cents will be ready for delivery in payment for Spanish Coins.

Very respectfully Yours &c

Henry S. Blaney
31 State Street

New York Feby 24. 1857

Mr Snowden
Treasurr U S Mint

Dear Sir

Herewith please find eight bars metal, and Mr Stones letter which will show the object of sending to mint, Please send report to me within four or five days, care Messrs Farmer Brace & Co and state charges which I will have paid,

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servant
F. B. Allen

The Assayer reports the results of three of the bars, viz:
One contains silver at the rate of $7\frac{1}{3}$ ozs. tuy to the ton of 2000 lbs.
A second, $31\frac{1}{2}$ ozs. to the ton.
A third, $36\frac{1}{2}$ ozs. to the ton.
The reason of the want of uniformity does not appear.
Metals of the alloys of this kind are not received at the Mint. - The silver must be free from lead, or nearly so.

Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office
February 23d 1857.

Daniel Stingeon Esq
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia. Penna.
Sir.

In the examination of your Ordinary account for January 1857. I notice voucher No 5. Peter Wagner. for Ice furnished the Mint. receipted by Kenneth Jewell. without authority or evidence of his being a clerk for Mr Wagner. Admitting the receipt to be correct. I do not deem the name simply. sufficient. in any case. There appears an error in petty expenses. Voucher No. 9. 100 Stamps @ 3cts. extended $ 9.00; it may be in the number of Stamps. instead of amount. carried out.

Please forward corrected duplicates. and the original Vouchers will be returned to the Mint.

Most Sincerely Yours
Elisha Mattlesy
Comptroller

S. Hedges, A. C. Baldwin, W. C. Hedges.

W. C. HEDGES & CO.
BANKERS,

Tiffin, O., Feby 23rd 1857.

James Ross Snowden Esq
Director Mint
Sir

Herewith we hand You two Lumps California Gold about 5-6/10 ounces. Please remit Proceeds to Atwood & Hall Stuart Mud Yorks for our credit.

Yours Truly
W. C. Hedges & Co.

1857
Feby 25 Received the Mint Receipt for Oz 5.700 Proceeds to be disposited as above.
Jno. A. Bell
for Adam. Exp. Co.

Treasury Department

Feby 23d 1837

Sir

The Collector of Newyork informs me that a set of specie scales is now required for the office of Cashier of that Custom House.

Agreeable to your kind order for this Department from Mr Henry Froemmer some sets which were delivered to you for verification and on being found correct, you certified his bills for $30 per set which were paid accordingly.

I suppose a set of the same kind of service is what is required by the Collector. I will therefore you to request Mr Froemmer to furnish a set to you for verification and on being tested, you will direct them to be sent by Herman D. Redfield Collector of Newyork. The bill for the cost of the same certified by you accompanied also be sent to the Collector who will pay the same to the order of Mr Froemmer.

From the report of the Collector it appears that the set of scales now used by the Cashier cannot be

relied on
after the
the old

Feb. 24th

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of yesterday, & have ordered a balance
weight set of weights for the use of the Customs
House at Nelson-York. as soon as they are completed
& carefully adjusted, & will cause them to be
promptly delivered to the Collector of that Port.

I also request him to return those that are on
hand for examination here in accordance with
your instructions.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
your faithful servant,

Hon. Lewis Cass
Sec. of the Treasury,
Washington City.

James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

relied on. Thence suggested to him that after the receipt of the new set, he may send the old set to Mr Boemmer for his examination and opinion whether they are worthy of repair. The Collector states that a second set would be very convenient to use from time to time, and if the old ones can be put into good order without too much cost compared with their value, it may be deemed best to have it done.

Very respectfully

Yours &c

James Guthrie

Secretary of Treasury

L. R. Snowden Esq

Director of the Mint

Phila

U. S. Assay Office, New York,

Treasurer's Department.

February 23. 1857.

Sir

I herewith inclose recipt of the Adams Express Co. and my Statement of Six boxes containing 72 fine gold bars, Weighing 17,947.15 Ounces gross, but value $ 366,007.77

Please acknowledge recipt of the same and remit double eagles in payment.

Very Respectfully
Your ob. Svt.

Daniel Stanwood Esq
Treas. U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Wilson
Treasurer

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 88

Received of the Treasurer of the United States

Assay Office, New York.

Six Box containing 7 947.15 Gold Bullion,

" " Silver "

Parcel "

Amounting in Net value to $ 346,007.77

Three Hundred & Sixty Six Thousand

and Seven 77/100 dollars.

which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer of the United States Mints at Philadelphia at Fifty Cents per One Thousand Dollars.

New York, July 23 1857

Adams Express Co. H. Babcock

No. 88.

Seventy two Fine Gold Bars transmitted to the U. S. Mint, in pursuance of the Act of March 1855, by John J. Cisco. Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, N.Y.

1857.
Feb. 23. Six Boxes #18@23. —
Containing:

Nos. 404@475. Weighs. 17,947.15 gs @ 99½ f.
4 Ounces dwt
Stand. Weight 19,777.777
Gross Value, $367,849.05
Deduct for Coinage 1839.24

Net Value, $366,007.77

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Feb. 21st 1857.

Sir,

I think it important that we should adhere to the instructions heretofore given by me, namely, not to exchange Silver Coin for Gold Coin in larger amounts than $100 and in such smaller sums as may suit the convenience of your department.

The Silver Coins, especially of the smaller denominations, have to require to pay depositors of Silver. This Consideration, together with the new business which will devolve upon the Mint in consequence of the passage of the recent Coinage Act, renders an adherence to these instructions the more necessary.

Very Respectfully
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Hon. R. Sturgeon
Treasurer of the Mint

P.S. No exchange of Silver Coin for Gold Coin will be made at Philadelphia except as above.

Mint of the United States.

Feb. 21st 1837.

Dear Sir,

I think it advisable that
[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] by the Steamboat
[illegible] that [illegible]
[illegible] Brownell [illegible] and
[illegible] Jones or Magruder the
Messenger of your Department.
[illegible] Office, especially [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible], [illegible] the Engine
[illegible] Office. This
[illegible] with [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] which [illegible]
[illegible] the Mint in Consequence of
[illegible] passage of the Second Bill
[illegible] Act, [illegible] an additional
[illegible] instruction [illegible] necessary.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Dr. Stroger
Assistant of the Mint

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Feb. 21st 1857.

In consequence of the heavy business upon the mint you are instructed to require the attendance of the persons employed in your department from 8 o'clock A.M. ~~to~~ until 4 o'clock P.M. except the usual allowance of time on Saturdays. At a reasonable time, at your discretion, will be allowed the hour for taking their dinners which they will bring with them to the mint.

Any absences without your leave will subject the employer to a deduction on the pay rolls, and such further action, as the Director may deem necessary, on your report to him.

No. 87.

Sixty nine Bars Silver Bullion transmitted to the U. S. Mint for coinage, in pursuance of the act of March 1855, by John J. Cisco, Treasurer of the U.S. Assay Office, N.Y.

	Bars	Gross Wt. ounces dec.	1000ths		Bars	Gross Wt. ounces dec.	1000ths		Bars	Gross Wt. ounces dec.	1000ths
No 1	65. 4	710.06	@ 901	4 No 7	8. 1	87.47	@ 897	No 9	1. 1	[illegible]	
	6. 1	103.99	897	7	4. 2	323.05	893		2. 1	106.30	899½
	7. 1	117.13	899		80. 3	404.22	899	8	3. 1	102.75	899
	8. 1	78.17	900	4	1. 1	96.21	900		4. 1	123.15	898½
	9. 1	73.35	901		2. 1	73.24	899½		5. 3	457.74	898½
2	70. 1	95.43	901		3. 1	88.94	895½	9	6. 1	146.74	898½
	1. 1	127.85	897	6	4. 2	361.55	914	6	7. 1	94.85	870½
	2. 1	270.45	901.	5	5. 5	838.29	898	9	8. 1	103.53	898½
	3. 1	163.92	899½	7	6. 4	758.85	893½	10	9. 6	1028.40	901½
6	4. 1	181.27	885	6	7. 1	187.57	851	11	100. 5	85698	902
	5. 2	434.07	899	5	8. 1	71.12	898½	9	1. 3	553.83	894½
3	6. 2	369.85	902		9. 1	107.20	901		2. 1	109.88	900
	7. 1	131.80	899½	4	90. 2	266.20	901		3. 1	190.26	898½
	18	2857.34			25	3663.91			26	4068.46	

69 Bars weigh 10,589.71 gs.
9.75
Stand. gs 10566.76

Value @ $1.22½ per St. gs. ---- $ 12944.28

Six Boxes #44 @ 49. February 20. 1857.

Bank of Commerce
Baltimore February 20, 1857

Treasurer United States Mint

Dear Sir,

We have this day forwarded to you per Adams & Co's Express One Hundred Dollars in Gold, for which be pleased to forward to us the amount in the new Cent Coin - We have always had some pride in introducing new coin, as our operations with the Mint, when in the Mechanics Bank, will show in connection with the Gold Dollars and Nickel coins - single handed, and in opposition to our Board, and all of the City Banks, the undersigned when Cashier defeated the Circulation of One Dollar Notes in our State, and with much cost substituted the Gold Dollars

Very Respectfully
James B. Shindler
President

U. S. Assay Office, New York,

Treasurer's Department.

February 21. 1857

Sir

As per receipt and Statement enclosed, I have this day transmitted by the Adams Express Company, Six boxes Silver bullion containing 69 bars weighing gross 10,589. 70/100 Ozs. Net value @ $1.22½ per St. Oz. $ 12.944.28 the receipt of which please acknowledge, and remit in payment. $ 5,000. in Eagles

5,000. " ½ dollars

2,944.28 " ¼ "

P.S. 25 empty bags returned.

Very Respectfully
Yours

Wm. J. Hoo
Treasurer

Daniel Strayer Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 87 Received of the Treasurer of the United States Assay Office, New York.

Box containing ____ Gold Bullion,

Bill " " 10589.71 Ozs. Silver "

Parcel " 250 Empty bags

Amounting in Nett value to $ 12,944.28

Twelve Thousand Nine Hundred & forty four 28/100 dollars.

which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer of the United States Mint at Philadelphia at Cents per One Thousand Dollars.

New York, Feb 20 1857

Adams Express Co. J. Dalrock

Treasury Department
19th February 1857.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 18th inst. I have to state that your letter of the 12th inst. did not reach this Department until the 17th on which day I issued a Warrant as requested by you, & I learn that the amount thereof was remitted yesterday by the Treasurer of the U.S.

Very respectfully
your obedt. servt.
James Guthrie
Secretary of the Treasury

James Ross Snowden Esq.
Director of the U.S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Telegraph 7

Sir:

Enclosed please find Abstract of Defendant's title for the cleared land in the letter sent requested in your letter of the 9th inst.

Yours

Respectfully

Sam. Rutherford

Enclosure 1 inst.

A. H. Stone, Esq.

Real Estate Atty.

Atlanta, Ga.

Bank of Fulton.

Atlanta, Georgia, July 7, 1857.

United States Bank

THE ADAMS EXPRESS CO.'S
GREAT
Eastern, Western & Southern Express.

$1000.

Philadelphia, July 9 1857

Received of J. B. Swayzee Esq Levin W. Sharpless

and said to contain in One thousand Dollars

MARKED Bank of Fulton Atlanta Geo

To be forwarded to _____ only, and there delivered to _____

THE EXPRESS COMPANY not to be held responsible for any loss or damage arising from fire, railroad accidents, ocean or river navigation, etc., UNLESS SPECIALLY INSURED BY THEM, AND SO SPECIFIED IN THIS RECEIPT.

Freight, _____

Insurance, _____

FOR THE PROPRIETORS, Wm. N. Dale

GUSTAVUS V. TOWE, PRINTER, NO. 4 HUDSON'S ALLEY.

Bank of Fulton.

Atlanta, Georgia, July 7, 1857.

Cashier of State Bank

Philadelphia

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your favor of
and shall be closed our dft on Foreign Banks
Sight Draft, No 1622. for $1000.
Please send us by Express
Covered in Sacks & quarks Sugar.

Yours Respy
A. W. Stone Pres

U. S. Mint: deposit for D. Stanton, Treas

~~Mr. Booth to be charged as follows, for the Assay~~
Coins of U. S. Mint, melted & unmelted, viz

Gold	03.316.937	#5891.50
Silver	~~XXXX~~ 167.71	192.23

Branch Mint: deposit for A. R. Linderman

Gold:	03.526.347	#9792.50
Silver	~~XXXX~~ 297.80	364.80

Gold — 843.274
Silver — 465.580

843.274

1225) 205.45 (167.71
8295
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153.160

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1225) 570.25 (465.51
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6125
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Mint of the United States
Philadelphia 21 Dec. 1807.

Dear Sir,

I transmit to day, by the Adams Express Company, a bo containing another quarters accounts of the Branch Mints & Agencies. The remaining accounts will probably be forwarded during the ensuing week.

The same differences in the balances of the several Dep.t Gold accounts, - compensatory of each other and therefore indifferent, — will be found between the balances as of the accounts now forwarded, & those expectedly at the Branch Mints and Agencies here. To which statement I add some slight differences in the balances of the Silver accounts (excepting also the Dep.t Loss) growing out of the fact that the Treas.r of the Parent Mint has claimed a credit for a deposit of gold from ships of unperfect bars, which has been debited and here as premature, inasmuch as the deposit was not in fact realized in coin. This difference will also be remarked in the accounts of the succeeding quarter.

You will observe, among the coins deposited, a large number made by the Treasurer, from melting parcels for the benefit of the Mints. The amount is not included in the aggregate of the deposits

on in the credit profit and paid. The net value has been transferred to the ordinary fund and charged to Profit & Loss. As this bullion was already in the hands of the Melter & Refiner, I do not see what was the motive of surrendering it so as to have it over again returned to the same hands as a deposit. Apparently it was intended that the ordinary fund should thus derive a benefit by the difference between the calculated intrinsic value of this bullion, at £1.16.10½ per oz. (at which value it had been credited to Profit & Loss) and the then purchase price of £1.22½ per ounce. If so, the Profit & Loss a/c should have been credited and Ordinary fund debited by this difference, but this has not been done. The whole transaction has, by a complicated method, effected what might have been better accomplished by leaving the bullion with the Melter & Refiner, to be prepared for coinage as usual, and transferring its value by the Queen's transfer draft, from the Profit & Loss to the Ordinary fund.

Should any discrepancy appear on the examination between the books of the Deputy Master & the Deputy Comptroller's respective accounts, a statement of those differences explains the accuracy of the books relating, the deposit account is accurately stated.

I am very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Thos. L. Smith Esq
Asst. Secretary of the Treasury

Transfer Mint
Transfer Bank
18th Feby 1857

Superintendent
United States Mint
Phila Pa

Dr Sir Inclosed
this day care of Adams Express
Old Silver coin say $400.
for which please return Silver coin
Say 200 Halves.
100 Quarters
50 Dimes
50 ½ dimes
$400.

Send by Adams Express

Respy Yours
Geo Ripley

U. S. Assay Office, New York,

Treasurer's Department.

February 19. 1857.

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt and Statement of nine boxes containing 119 fine gold bars, weighing 24,280.40 Oz. gross, of the Net value of $ 494.917.95 The receipt of which please acknowledge.

I will thank you to remit at the earliest possible period, the whole amount of this invoice in double eagles.

P.S. 250 Empty bags returned.

Very Respectfully
Your ob Servant

Daniel Stringer Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm J Dyer
Treasurer.

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 86 Received of the Treasurer of the United States Assay Office, New York.

Nine Box containing 24,280.40 Ozs Gold Bullion,

" " Silver "

Parcel " 250 Empty bags.

Amounting in Net value to $ 494,917.95

Four Hundred & Ninety four Thousand, Nine Hundred & Seventeen 95/100 Dollars.

which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer of the United States Mint at Philadelphia at Fifty Cents per One Thousand Dollars.

New York, Feby 19 1857

Adams Express Co

Mint of the United States:
Philadelphia, February 18th. 1864.

I have made the examination which I stated in my former letter and necessary in order to reply to your favor of the 10th: inst respecting the value of Mr. Kent's apparatus for separating gold and silver sweeps.

I may premise that heretofore communications to Mr. Butterworth and others have expressed a favorable opinion of this apparatus. Doubtless these communications have been brought to your notice. The opinions then expressed remain unchanged, and I regard the apparatus in question as a valuable improvement upon the machines and processes heretofore used. It is somewhat difficult to state what is the value of this apparatus as a just measure of compensation if any, ought to be allowed to Mr. Kent. By his process the sweeps are brought down to a lower value, that is to say the gold and silver are extracted, than by the former methods, and consequently when they are sold to such smelters at a percentage below their assay value, a less loss is occasioned to the Mint. Besides a smaller amount of materials is used and fewer workmen required. As to the last however, I may remark, that whilst one man could work the apparatus I think two should be employed. If we take 50 lbs of sweeps, say 1/2 ton 1,000 lbs. as the amount made annually at the Mint the results of the two processes may be stated as follows:

Estimated cost of former process including loss on sale of sweeps, $350.

Cost of new process including loss on the sale of sweeps, 200.

by machinery.

Mint of the United States:
Philadelphia, February 18th 1857.

I have made the examination which I stated in my former letter
and necessary in order to fully to your acceptance of the Work: and respecting
the value of Mr Kent's apparatus for separating gold and silver sweeps.
I was promised that before a communication to Mr Butterworth
and Mack it respecting a favorable opinion of this apparatus. Should this
communication have been brought to your notice. The opinion then
expressed remain unchanged, and I regard the apparatus in question as a
valuable improvement upon the machines and processes heretofore used.
It is somewhat difficult to state "what is the value of this apparatus
as a measure of compensation if any, ought to be allowed to Mr Kent."
For this, if the sweeps are brought down to a lower value, that is to say
where gold and Silver are extracted, than by the former methods, and con-
sequently when they are sold to Such Smelters at a percentage below their
previous value, a loss would be occasioned to the Mint. Besides, a smaller
amount of materials is used and fewer workmen required. As to the last
however, I may remark, that whilst one man could work the apparatus
of Mr Kent, I think two should be employed. If we take 50 tons of
sweeps, as 1,500 lbs. as the amount made annually at the Mint the results of
the two processes may be stated as follows:

Estimated cost of former process, including loss on sale of Silver, $6556.
Estimated cost of new process including loss on the sale of Silver, 2005.

The balance (or $4551) may be stated as the saving per annum by the adop-
tion of Mr Kent's new process. For a more detailed statement
I refer to the report of Messrs Booth & Kessler upon the reports of

Clerk, the Melter and Refiner of the Mint which is herein enclosed.

In considering the second part of the inquiry upon which I am to report, namely, what compensation, if any ought to be made to the clerk, I may state that I have ever viewed it as a general principle, and still do no reason to depart from it, that all improvements made by an officer of the government in the special department committed to his charge, and with the facilities afforded by it's special nature are the property of the government: now it is to be noted that the improvement in question was made whilst that gentleman was an officer of the government and employed in the particular branch of business to which it related; and, that it was his duty to separate, as far as it practicable, the gold and silver from the dross which accumulate in his department, and with workmen and other means to perform the work for the government. Under these circumstances, I am of opinion that the Mint and its branches and the assay office have the right to use the improved apparatus without any (illegible). It is also to be considered whether it is good policy to give compensation to public officers for introducing improvements in the particular business committed to their charge; and whether the introduction of this principle may not be injurious to the public service, and lead to frequent applications of a similar nature.

Having thus given my candid opinion in respect to the question of compensation, it is due to Mr. Kent to acknowledge that he deserved great credit for his improvement, and I express the hope that he may derive pecuniary advantage from it, by its use in the operations of gold mining, to which I believe it is adapted.

I am very respectfully
Your ob't Serv't,

James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Hon. R. M. T. Hunter,
Senate U. States

Office of Melter & Refiner
United States Mint,

[illegible] 17th Feb. 1857

In order to reply as accurately as possible to your communication of the 12th Inst., I requested the Assayer to make an assay of the last four barrels of sweep made by the improved methods of working the Hearth Apparatus, since Jan. 5. 1857. The assay returns are below, together with the assay of the previous 16 barrels of sweep, also worked on this apparatus, & an average of assays made before using that apparatus

	value of gold per lb.	value of silver per lb.	total value per lb.
190 lbs. sweep assayed,			
made by older process	05 cts	22 cts	7 cts
average of 13 assays			
Nov. 10. 1856. 10 lbs.	20.1	19.3	19.6
Jan. 22. 1857. 10 lbs.	9.1	14.6	23.7
Feb. 16. 1857. 4 lbs	3.1	20.6	23.7

I would remark on these results: 1st That the sweep for sweep weather reduced the value from about 60 cts. per lb. to 40 cts. by working it more carefully, to 24 cts, and the most improved working to 22 cts. per lb.

2d That the value of gold in the sweep is reduced materially from 50 cts. to 25, to 20 by the last improvement to 9 cts. per lb.

3d That while our gold process has greatly diminished, the silver operations of the mint are very large, but the quantity of silver [illegible] the sweep, [illegible] reduced, it only reduces from 22 cts. to 19½, from which it is evident that the saving by his apparatus is mainly due to the more ready amalgamation of gold than silver by mercury.

While the above results exhibit Mr Kent's apparatus as comparable light in point of economy, yet I am confident that by a continued working of his improvements will show that it is still more economical. The saving with his apparatus is different in this mind from that in the N. Y. Assay Office, in consequence of the more prep of the gold worker in the mint, the greater difficulty of amalgamating silver, and hence I infer that we cannot ever reduce the value of sweep below as it had been done in the Assay Office.

In the calculation of saving given below, as result from the use of Mr Kent's apparatus, I have taken 6 bbls. of sweep, as the amount made in the mint per annum averaging 500 lbs. per bbl. and have taken 1 per ct of the value as the loss on sale of sweep. We formerly employed three men in the sweep room but one of them was, as I write, employed, & hence I have taken the labor of sweep washing at 2½ men @ $2.00 per day. At present we employ two men, for greater security, altho' one is sufficient to work the new washing apparatus.

The elements for determining the cost of sweep flowing are as follows:

By the older methods

One man, 1 day per week (say 52 weeks)	$100.00
Acid (muriatic, after use in granulating) say	50.00
Flower, say 50 lbs. per week @ 12 cts. per ann.	300.00
Coal, ½ ton per week, 10 tons per ann.	50.00
Former cost of sweep flowing per ann.	$500.00

By the newer method

Washing once in 6 weeks, say ¼ the above	$125.00
Acid, muriatic, say 12 carboys about	55.00
	$180.00

Estimated Cost of former Process

Labor at washing, 2½ men @ $2.- per day $ 5.00
Cost of flaxing sweep $ 1.00
Loss on sale of sweep, (50 lbs. @ 50 lbs. each @ 22 cts = $ 11.00) 15 % $ 1.65
$ 7.65

Estimated Cost of new Process

Labor at washing, 2 men @ $2.- per day $ 4.00
Cost of flaxing $ 1.50
Loss on sale of sweep (50 lbs. @ 50 lbs. each @ 22 cts = $ 11.00) 15 % $ 1.65
$ 7.15

Balance = saving pr. an. by new Process. $ 0.50

I think the above will answer your inquiries in full relation to the actual saving at this Mint, by the introduction of Mr Kent's apparatus. The advantages of his apparatus independent of economy will appear in a letter addressed to you on the subject and dated Sept. 22. 1855.

Very respectfully
Your Ob't Sv't
A. B. Smith

Hon. J. R. Snowden
Director
U. S. Mint

Feb. 18th 1

Sir,

I beg to call your attention to my letter of the 12th inst. requesting a warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, payable out of the appropriation for the support of the Mint for the current year, namely for the present quarter ending 30th:

For salaries	$ 6,875.00
Wages of workmen and engineers	11,000.00
Fuel	2,500.00
Incidental expenses	18,750.00
	$ 44,125.00

I shall be glad to your Convenience to have one additional fund to enable me to keep a supply of money on hand for the payment of any claims that may be presented.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Hon. James Guthrie
Sec. of the Treasury.

Chas. Wm. Lewis
Director of the Mint

Eagle Bank of Rochester
Rochester N.Y. Feby 8. 1837

To Supt U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

I forward to You
by Express a package of Double Eagles
50 — at $20 Each. amt $1000.00
for which please forward me
$500 in pieces Twenty dollars
200 — — Tens
100 — — half Tens —
1000.00 Very respectfully
Yours &c
J. B. Robertson Cashr

Syracuse City Bank,

Syracuse, N. Y., February 18 1857.

To the Treasurer of the
United States Mint
Philadelphia Penna
Sir

Herein I enclose my Draft on Albany City Bank payable in New York for $500. for which be pleased to send me per Express the amount thereof in Silver coin. Viz

$100 in halves
300 " quarters
50 " Dimes
20 " half Dimes
30 " Three cent pieces

If the new cent pieces are ready for circulation please send a small keg in place of the three cent pieces

Respectfully yours
W. W. Teall Cash
pro tem

Rec'd the day
Feb 26/57

U. S. Assay Office, New York,

Treasurer's Department.

February 18. 1857.

Sir

Your letter of the 13th inst was duly rec'd, containing assay Memorandums of Silver bullion invoices N° 83. 84.

I am also in receipt this day by the Adams Express Co. of Silver Coins, in payment of N° 83. amounting to $ 29.504.97

I have nine boxes of gold bullion, in readiness for transmission, so soon as the condition of the road will allow.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob. Servant

Daniel Strugeon Esq.
Treas' U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

John J. Cisco
Treasurer.

Geo T. Hodges, Pres't.
John B. Page, Cashier.

CAPITAL, $300,000.

Bank of Rutland.

(CHARTER EXPIRES JAN. 1ST, '77)

Rutland, Vt Feb 16th 1857.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the ——— is received with enclosure,

I enclose check on Metropolitan Bank N.Y. $2000 for which please send me 2 eagles by express via National Express Co from N York

Respectfully &c

J B Page Cas

To James Ross Snowden Esq.
Director Mint
Philadelphia

Boston 10 Feby 1857

Feby. 10th. 7

Sir:

You were informally informed that you could obtain specimens of the moths emitted in 1797 and 1816 at this Institution. None of the moths in these years are in the Mint, except such as are retained in the Cabinet. In 1815 there were no moths thrown in circulation, except a few old specimens, which are now very rare.

Your Obedt. servt.

Director.

Mr. S. S. Herman,
Box 748 Post Office,
Boston, Mass.

Boston 10 Feby 1857

Sir,

I have a collection of American cents from 1796, complete with the exception of 1799 & 1815, & if you will please to forward those two, you will greatly oblige me as I have tried to get them for some time & have been told that they can only be obtained at the Mint. I take the liberty to enclose two 1 cent P.O. stamps.

I am

Sir

Yours obedient

"J. E. Herman"

"Box 753. Boston"

"Mass."

No cents struck in 1815
except a few proofs

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia, February 16th, 1804

No. 179 P.

Sir,

The enclosed Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners relating to the Establishment here of the Coins will inform you of the Progress which has been made from the Period, when we received the Instructions from the Department for your Information.

I have the honor to be
with great Respect
Your faithful Servant,

Director of the Mint

Hon. Albert Gallatin
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington City.

These Improvements have been made in consequence of an Appropriation made by Congress on the recommendation of the

to observe from five they certainly are and with a single exception they may defy the ingenuity and forbearance of the [illegible] and with respect to that exception measures are about being taken to render that small entirely secure.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, February 16th, 1854

The following communication, resolutions and report are contained among the proceedings of the Board of Assay Commissioners which recently met at the Mint of the United States.

The Board was composed of the following gentlemen, viz: Hon. John K. Kane, Judge of the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Charles Brown, Esq., Collector of the Port of Philadelphia, Commissioners ex officio; and Dr. Augustus Hayes, of Boston, Prof. Reynolds Mangum, of the University of Virginia, Major A. M. Bowman, U. S. Army, and Hon. John Richards, Philadelphia, Commissioners Specially designated by the President of the United States.

The following communication was received from the Director of the Mint, viz:

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Feb. 9th, 1854.

Gentlemen:

I desire to call the attention of the Board of Assay Commissioners now convened, to the circumstance that within a recent period, several important and material improvements have been made in the Mint machinery, & the purpose of ameliorating & entirely perfecting, and to give additional security to the treasure deposited in the vaults.

These improvements have been made in consequence of an appropriation made by Congress on the recommendation of the

alterally improved.

In view of this subject I respectfully suggest to the Board whether it might not be advantageous and proper that an examination of the Mint building be made and an enquiry instituted whether any further improvements are necessary to render the Mint more efficient or give additional security to the Bullion and coin deposited therein and whether any additional facilities are required for the annual delivery at the Mint.

I have the honor to be
with great respect
Your obedient Servant
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Hon. John M. Kane
Chairman of the
Board of Assay Commissioners

Which communication having been read, and on motion, referred to a committee composed of Dr. Hayes of Boston, Prof. Maupin of Virginia, and the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, Judge Kane.

Subsequently - on the 11th of February - the Committee reported the following resolution, through Dr. Hayes which was on motion, unanimously adopted by the Board, viz:

Resolved that the Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the Director of the Mint be allowed to report after the adjournment of the Board, and that the

Report of Committee

The Committee to whom was referred the communication made by the Board of the Trinity House to the Chairman of the House relative to Commissioners report that in accordance with the request of said Communication they have examined the Mode of Erection, and the internal arrangements for constructing the Carriage.

They have examined with satisfaction the changes and improvements recently made in the building. They appear to have been judiciously planned, and executed in such a manner as to give the highest security against fire from within or without the building and which work have been substituted for wood in almost every part of the building. Their Board floors have been laid with mastic from considerations of comfort and convenience, they are laid obliquely upon iron and brick in the manner of a Bridge, and every safe guard has been added to render them secure from fire.

The chief feature in the edifice may be justly regarded as admirably fire proof.

The rooms for receiving deposited, for melting, weighing, storing, packing, rolling and cutting, and for boiling, carving and fire being were visited, and found highly satisfactory in all their arrangements for the comfort, economy and accuracy of the various operations conducted therein. Every perfect ventilation and a handsomeness of light are ably secured in all the rooms, in which the nature of the operations carried on rendered these provisions necessary. The apparatus for warming which during the late cold weather has proved satisfactory, has been substituted for former imperfect arrangements, and which is also under, while external conveniences and appendages to health are complete.

The means provided for the defence of the Building and its contents from fire they are fully aware - and with a single exception they may defy the ingenuity and fondness of the human mind to devise other means to destroy the building by fire.

of Cubitt to say for the present as more being settled up in the Basement of the Building, and when completed will leave nothing to be desired by the President, to render the Building complete in all its arrangements for the efficient prosecution of the various and important operations directly connected with the coinage. Experience, the progress of discovery and invention, and the requirements of the public service, will from time to time suggest further additions and changes; but the same enlightened policy which dictated the recent improvements, will doubtless be directed in future to continue the establishment in the responsible position of high efficiency and reputation it now possesses - ensuring uniformity to the coinage of the Country.

The Committee deem it not inappropriate to give expression on the present occasion to the high gratification they have experienced on witnessing the evidences afforded by the recent inquiry of the skill, accuracy and fidelity with which the various departments of the coinage appear to be conducted. As regard to the Annual Estimates, we may remark that proper facilities are provided for conducting the same, and that the Committee cannot suggest any thing further which is desirable on this point. In the Assays made in accordance with the rules adopted by the Board, the samples abstracted in such a manner that the officers of the Mint were unacquainted with the deposits from which they were taken, and the Assayers were entirely under the constant inspection of the members of the Committee. The results showed a correspondence with the legal standard, and the trials were satisfactory. In conclusion the Committee take pleasure in stating that the Institution, in their opinion, is conducted and maintained in such a manner as to merit the highest confidence of the government and the public.

(Signed) Augs. D'Morgan,
S. Hamilton
J. K. Stone.
} Committee

February 27. 7.

Gentlemen:

In reply to your recent communication I have to state that I have received a proposition from the firm of Messrs Buck, Simonin & Co of this City to supply the Mint with nickel at considerably lower rates than contained in your offer and of the best quality, which had been accepted.

I have to thank You for the specimen You have sent me, which present a handsome appearance and evidence good workmanship.

Very respectfully,
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Messrs Holmes Booth & Haydens
New York

New York 20 Feby 1857

James R. Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir I am selling my Nickel here to the manufacturer at 175 ₰ lb. It is 95% pure Nickel, and is put up in 600 lbs ₰ kg. and being desirous of furnishing the Mint Direct deliver the same at the Mint in Philadelphia for One Dollar and Sixty cents ₰ lb. – Please Keep this Price to yourself

Yours Truly
Wm Wattlands

New Cents.—

We are informed that their will be issued
ther 1st of the new cents, composed of
Nickel and copper. The originator of the
coin was sanguine that any quantity
of the first-named metal, could be obtained
at the ~~mine~~ Nickel mine in Lancaster County,
but all interested parties are now aware
in consequence of the mine only yielding
about 2½ per cent of the metal. Six months
since it could be obtained for 80 cents
per pound now it is worth over $2. Hence
the Mint is unable to furnish any
farther supplies of the famous new cents.

C & G.

New York Feb 24/57

James L Snowden Esq

Dear Sir

We have this day forwarded to you per Adams Express a specimen of our metal for the new Penny for which we make no charge. The blank has been dipped in acid which shows its color. You will observe the edges are somewhat thicker than the balance owing to the slitting as we Roll it the width it is Smith & should think it would cut much better in that width (6 inches) but can Roll it any width you may choose These Specimens are 88/100 Bronzanite & the best Nickel & think you will find it superior to any you have tried. At the present rated for Copper we can supply you at 63½ c a lb or can give you an article at a less price that will in color look the same. We have a number of Screw Presses & Dies which can give you the Blanks ready for stamping & upsetting if so &

We should also feel bound to give you
a guarantee for accuracy of instructions &
Work alluding to the Otter
up old Copper which would probably
reduce the price come to at the prices
you would be able to dispose of them
Please let us hear from you in relation
to the working of our patent color &
Yours Respectfully
Holmes Booth & Haydens
Sec. & Treas

February 27. 7.

Gentlemen

In reply to your recent communication I have to state that I have received a proposition from the firm of Messrs Buell, Simonin & Co of this City to supply the Mint with Nickel at considerably lower rates than is contained in your offer and of the best quality, which has been accepted.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt Servt
Dir. of the Mint.

Messrs Harris & Jacobson.
67 Nassau St.
New York.

Feb. 28. 7.

Sir.

In reply to your recent communication I have to state that I have received a proposition from the firm of Aspinwall Slack, Simonin & Co. of this City to supply the Mint with pickled at lower rates than is contained in your offer and of the best quality, which has been accepted.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. servt.
Director of the Mint.

H. C. Maitland Esq
New York.

New York Feb'y 26th

Hon J. C. Snowden

Sir,

We have been requested by the Director of the Assay office here to send you sample of Nickle the very best quality cont^{g} 96 ℔ ℅ of German Manufacture the lot we have on hand at present is about 800 lbs and can be sold at $1.85 ℔ lb it is the only lot in the Market, and we have been informed by the parties here, tis required for the alloy of the New Cent being the finest made and if it suits we are willing to take a Contract to supply as much as you need your early reply will much Oblige Sir

Yours Respectfully
Harris & Jacobson
67 Nassau st

N.B. There is an English Nickle in the Market but it is said to Contain only 45 ℔ ℅

Feb. 26th 7.

Gentlemen:

We accept your proposals, bearing this morning, for the supply of Nickel and Nickel Alloy at the Mint on the Conditions and Terms stated, subject to such modifications as variations in taking prices or other circumstances may, from time to time, make expedient.

You will please deliver at the Mint, as soon as practicable about 3,000 lbs of the Nickel alloyed with 20 per cent copper & and about 15,000 pounds of the Cent alloy, in accordance with the 4th Specification - delivered at the mint in proportion of say: 1,000 lbs, more or less.

I am, very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant,
James Pollock
Director of the Mint.

Messrs. Boyd, Simons & Co
Philad.

Proposal for supplying Nickel to U.S. Mint.

To Hon. J. R. Snowden, Director of the Mint of the United States.

Dear Sir,

We, the undersigned propose to furnish the Mint of the United States with Nickel at the following rates.

1st We agree to deliver Nickel alloyed with twenty per cent of Lake Superior Copper, at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents per pound of Nickel, and thirty two cents per pound of Copper, or at the ruling market rates for the latter metal.

2nd We will deliver only what may be termed pure Nickel (commercially) in such quantities and at such times as it may be called for.

3rd We also agree to receive back lots of Nickel if impure, and if alloyed at the Mint with Copper, to pay for the Copper added.

4th At present if the cent alloy is wanted (88 Copper and 12 Nickel) we will make it at the same rates as above, charging 10 per cent for wastage and cost of melting.

Yours Respectfully

Buck, Simonin & Co.

July 16th 7

Dear Sir

Enclosed you will please find the seal press ordered in your note of the 2nd inst. The drawings of these presses has not yet been sent by Express and those should have accompanied the impression supplied and not forwarded. None of these presses are remain at the Mint, they having been distributed among the members of Congress &c. and the one ordered by you being of the small number in my possession.

I am respectfully &c.

[redacted]
Director

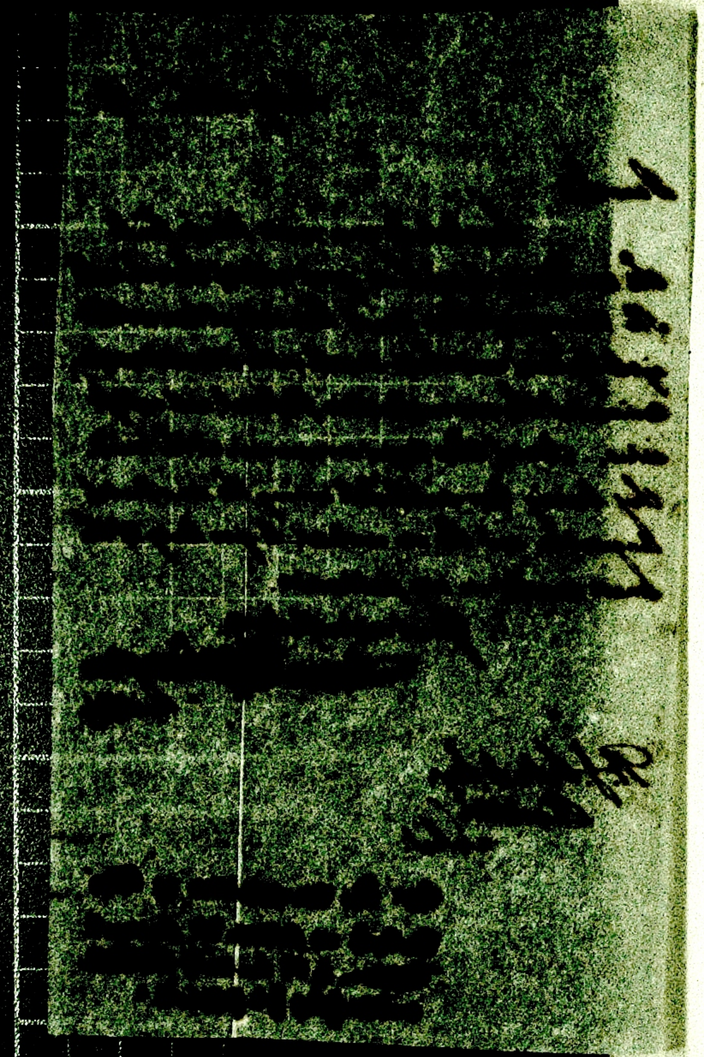
W. J. Pollock Esqr.
Charleston
S. C.

[redacted]

Febry 11. 1857

Dear Sir,

Being
formation of a
postponing one
$25 for my Cab.
Trust you will that
me one - I therefore
application, and
it a personal
gratify my desire.
Respectfully
Yr Servt
W. J. Pollock
Charleston
So. Ca.



J. Ross Snowden Esq
Director Branch Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir,

Being a collector of Coins for the formation of a Cabinet, I am desirous of possessing one of the new cent pieces of 1856 for my Collection, and am told by Capt. Neale here that you can probably furnish me one. I therefore take the liberty of making application, and also a stranger will esteem it a personal favor, should you be able to gratify my desire.

I am very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
W. J. Tobias
Charleston
So. Ca.

Febry 11. 1856

Treasury Department
February 24. 1857.

Sir.

I have this day replied to your letter of the 20th inst, and approved the form and devices of the new cent, as therein fixed. I have now to ask your attention to the edge of the piece, and to suggest the propriety of such an alteration in the die, as will render it less sharp.

I am, very Respy
Jas Guthrie
Secretary of the Treasury

J. Ross Snowden, Esq.
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia Pa

Feb. 24th. 1.

Sir,

I have rec'd the remark contained in your favour of yesterday approving the offer for the Coast Cruizers, and with little reasons to hope the Ohio Life Vessels on the wages as suggested.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
your faithful servant,
James Rush Solicitor
Master of the Mint.

Hon. James Pollock.
Sec. of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Custom House Cincinnati
Surveyor's Office February 7
1854

Sir,

I will regard it as a favor, if you will send me ~~about~~ one hundred of the New Cent Coins I enclose you herewith one Dollar, the Eagle's & Wreaps will take change of them.

Your obt Servant
A. L. M. Lean

Mr. Sturgeon,
U.S. Mint
Philadelphia
Pa

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of yesterday, inclosing a copy of a note addressed to the Department by the Hon. R. M. T. Hunter, Chairman of the Committee on Finance of the Senate.

As a convenient mode of communicating the information asked for I have prepared and herewith inclose the following tabular Statement which will convey a clear view of the whole subject of the profits on the different coinages that any deduction can.

Metal or alloy in coin prior.	Coined at the Mint & Branches	Delivered from the Mint	Proportion of Alloy	Intrinsic value of the Metal or Alloy in each piece.
Gold coin prior to 1834 and after	28 cts	Eagles	11/16	26 cts.
"	22	10's	11/16	20
"	25	5's	11/16	25
Silver	100	96	900	93
Copper	100	90	900	90

I have taken the fineness of the silver & gold coin all the calculations - if fractional, towards a little above and below that price. - Most coins of denomination as "Dimes & Half Dimes" & the comparatively coins of the Mints till recently, the "nickel alloy" & the amendment of the Mints of Philadelphia.

Hon. Samuel Gratiot
Hon. James Rose Steventon.

J. Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia
Dear Sir:

Chief Coiners Office,
U.S. Mint
Philad.a Feby 28. 1857

I respectfully beg leave to make the following report.

The duties of the operatives, during the months of January and February, in the Rolling, Cutting, Whitening, Coining, & Adjusting Rooms, have been performed with their usual attention and despatch.

Regarding the new cent, I have appropriated one pair of Rolls & three cutting Presses, which I think will be ample for the Commencement; each press will throw off at least 250 pieces per Minute, or at the rate of 45000 per hour, and if required the number of presses can be doubled.

In the Coining Room I have designated four presses, two of them are now ready, with the dies complete, and perform admirably, the other two will be ready during the next week.

The Whitening Room will be in readiness next week, as Messrs Morgan & Orr have promised all the pans, and other machinery, in their hands, at an early day.

I hope to be able to lay before you in a short time a plan for a Cutting Press on the

principle you desired.

All of which is respectfully submitted by
Your friend & obed.t Serv.t

Geo. K. Childs
Chief Comm. Subsist.

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1856/MARCH (CONT.)

Taunton March 31 1836

Dan[l] Stimpson Esq[r]

Dear Sir

Annexed please find an Invoice of ten Keys Copper planches, forwarded by Steam

Yours Very Respectfully

Ariel Bowen

March 1st 6

Mem. of

Sir.

The annual Monthly Account of the balance on hand at the close of this day
lodged in the Office of the Accountant of this institution exhibits the following result.

On Stock Account $ 161,879.87

Addl. 578,000.00

Pr. Old Acct. 1050.10

Pr. Repair Acct. 4763.00

$ 745,692.97

The examination of the books of the Office discovered a balance corresponding
with the above amount.

The above is submitted as on hand by the Pr. Board of the Institution and
the above amount $ 745,692.97 in Gold and Silver Coin, which has been
by a count of the same in the vaults of the Office and ascertained to be actually
in the safe.

I have the honor to be
With great respect
Your faithful Obt. Servt.

Saml. Pope Newton
Secty.

Mayor Alderman & Board
of Aldermen

Mint of

Lt.

Treasurer's No. 6

The annual Monthly Account of the balances on hand at the close of business

Exhibited in the Office of the Treasurer of the United States, exhibits the following result:

In Debt Amount $ 161,070.07

Debt . 57,503.68

Ps. Debt. Amt 1850.10

Ps. Repair. Amt. 1763.00

$ 214,059.84

The assets, consist of the Debts of Ps. of the Offices Allowed, a balance correspondence with the above account.

The balance exhibited on hand by the Ps. Treasurer of the United States and the above discovered $ 150,303.08 in Gold and Silver Coin, which deficiency occurred in the Treasury of that Office and ascertained the annexed Statement.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Your faithful Obedient

Servant Rose Saunders

Treasurer.

Secretary of the Treasury

Monthly Return

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, March 31st 1856.

Gold

Vault No 10

Vault No 2

Silver.

Vault No 10

Vault No 2

March 31st. 6

Sir

I have enclosed a Statement, in duplicate as to the
the Official Standard of this institution showing the assay of Bars &
I have the honor to be
with great respect
Your faithful Servant
[illegible]

Hon. James Buchanan
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington City

Statement of Deposits and Coinage

At the Mint of the United States, Philadelphia

Gold Bullion Deposited

Gold Bullion Deposited

Gold Bullion Deposited

Statement of Deposits and Coinage

At the Mint of the United States, Philadelphia,

During the Month of March 1856

Gold Bullion Deposited.

	Value.
N. York	$ 810.350
From California,	$ 72.617.50
Other sources,	$ 18.842.50
Total Gold Deposits,	$ 901810,00

Silver Bullion Deposited,

Including Silver Purchases,	$ 161.200.00
Total Gold and Silver Deposits,	$ 1,062,010.00

Total, 2,534,000 $ 236,000

COPPER.

Cents.	333,187	$ 3338.87
Half Cents,		
Total,	333,887	$ 3,338.87

RECAPITULATION.

Gold Coinage,	302,761	$ 3,203.760
Silver "	2.534.000	236.000
Copper, "	333.187	3.338.87
Total No. of pieces,	3,170,613 Total value,	$ 3,443809.630

Coinage Executed.

GOLD.

Denomination.	*No. of Pieces.*	*Value.*
Double Eagles,	1414213	$2,828,260
Eagles,		
Half Eagles,	32,058	162,790
Quarter Eagles,	20,480	51,200
Dollars,	105,810	105,810
Total,	302,761	$3,203,760

SILVER.

Dollars,		
Half Dollars,		
Quarter Dollars,	364,000	91,000
Dimes,	430,000	43,000
Half Dimes,	1,440,000	72,000
Three Cent Pieces,		
Total,	2,534,000	$236,000

COPPER.

Cents,	333,797	$3338.97
Half Cents,		
Total,	333,857	$3,338.97

RECAPITULATION.

Gold Coinage,	302,761	$3,203,760
Silver "	2,534,000	236,000
Copper, "	333,857	3,338.97
Total No. of pieces,	3,170,618 Total value,	$3,443,338.97

Treasurer Mint, Philadelphia

March 31 1856

Transfer dft No. 2550 favor. Dep.y Detroit. for $ 50.000=
2551 " Dep.y Baltimore " 20.000=

51
102½
102

Custom House, New York,
Collector's Office, 29 March 1850

Sir

Messrs Barclay & Livingston of this city have applied to me for information relative to the annual yield of gold from the California mines, and as I was unable to give them the desired information I applied to Mr Cisco who was also unable to furnish it. He suggested, however, that the information was contained in your last annual report.

I will therefore feel obliged if you will be good enough to send me, by next mail if possible, two copies of your last annual report, or if it does not contain the information desired, any Statistics in your possession relative thereto.

I am Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servant
Veman S. Redfield Collector

James Ross Snowden Esq
Director U.S. Mint

Number 8

Waterbury March 29th 1854

Mr James Ross Snowden
Director of the United States Mint
Philada Penna

D. Sir

Yours of the 26th inst with drawing for Rolls came duly to hand and would have been replied to immediately but our Mr Blake was out of town - the drawing will be preserved with care until the return of it is requested -

The Rolls we can make to draft, hardened and warranted for One Hundred and Fifty Dollars

The drawing calls for brass pinion gears - we have used brass gears, but are now using a composition of copper and tin which we think much better, should you order the rolls we can commence on them immediately - awaiting your order we remain

Yours Respectfully
Blake & Johnson
O.H. Stevens Agt

Mint of the United States

Philadelphia March 29th, 1856.

Gentlemen:

I have to request that the 50 casks of Light Sperm which has lately arrived at New York, be shipped to the branch Mint at San Francisco, care of P. Datt, Esqr. Superintendent. Please have bills of lading sent to me.

Yours respectfully,
(Signed) J. R. Snowden,
Director U. S. Mint.

Messrs. Dotter & Co.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, March 29th, 1856.

Ed. C. Herrick, Esqr.;
Treasurer Yale College,
New Haven, Conn.

Dr. to the Medal Fund of the Mint of the U.S.

For 5 Standard Gold Medals for the Smith Mathematical Prize
at $12.00 each . . . } $60.00

Received Payment.
for J. James Ross Snowden,
Director U.S. Mint.

Sir.

The Medals ordered by your Letter of the 18th inst. have been struck, and will be handed to you together with the Deed, by the Agent of the Adams Express Company who will have instructed them according to your directions. As suggested in your letter you can send me a draft for the above bill on the Metropolitan Bank, N.Y. City.

Yours respectfully,
James Ross Snowden,
Director U.S. Mint.

THE ADAMS EXPRESS CO., 116 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

THE ADAMS EXPRESS CO.'S
GREAT
Eastern, Western & Southern Express.

Philadelphia, March 29th 1856

Received of Hon J Ross Snowden

1 Package and said to contain

1 Gold Medal & Casket Steinbeck

MARKED C. C. Kemick

Treasurer Yale College

New Haven Connecticut

To be forwarded as addressed: THE EXPRESS COMPANY not to be held responsible for any loss or damage arising from fire, railroad accidents, ocean or river navigation, etc., **UNLESS SPECIALLY INSURED BY THEM, AND SO SPECIFIED IN THIS RECEIPT.**

Freight, collect freight on delivering Package

Insurance,

FOR THE PROPRIETORS, Wm. A Bell

CRAIG, PRINTER, 116 CHESTNUT ST., OVER THE EXPRESS OFFICE.

Philadelphia March 29 1856

Mr. U. States Branch Mint Calla.

Bought of GOODYEAR'S RUBBER BELTING & PACKING CO.

Manufacturers (under Goodyear's Patents) of

PATENT STEAM PACKING, BELTING,

AND OTHER VULCANIZED RUBBER FABRICS,

WAREHOUSE, 104 CHESTNUT STREET, between 3d and 4th

GOODYEAR'S RUBBER Packing & Belting Co. 104 Chestnut Street PHILADELPHIA

Factory

2 1/2 Oz Long Steel Gloves @ $75.00

Rec.d Payment
L. P. Dieterich Agt

TM 1856

The Sandwich Island medal must be engraved for 3 shillings.

There are no coppers and but few pennies suitable for the Perry Medals if they can be readily procured from Boston or could be, as they can be made here for the price of those to be altered.

I may add that as it appears the bronze medals can be struck at Boston it would perhaps be as well to have them there prepared there.

I also wish the views I have had the dies of the medals engraved.

Perry Medal ½ gr. size
Frederick Do ½ gr. size.

Write prices regard
your orig

S. R. Mason

J. Pickering Esq.
Chief Clk. &c

Western Bank of Philadelphia.

March 28 1856

My Dear Sir.

~~I have yours of 26~~

I Enclose herein a letter from Mr Curtis. I request the favr. of yr. Compliance with his request.

I will have the pleasure of Calling on you in a few days. to learn the progress. which you will have made in the work Very truly yours

C. Norden

J. Watson

Boston Mar 26. 1856

My dear Sir

I have to thank you for yours of 24th inclosing a note from Col Munder, who it appears cannot abate from the estimates made for the Mayo Medals,

I would now beg you to request that the work be put in hand immediately.
The first order will comprize
One Gold. 803-
Twenty Silver
Seventy Bronze
an increased number of the latter will be wanted & probably more Silver,

Jos Patterson Esq
Phil

I mailed a Boston Daily
Adv^r to you recently
& hope it came —

Faithfully &
Gratefully
Yours

Wm. M. Curtis

and Col Marden and
a thousand other work
in Letter and Prose — I
am curious to see how it
shows,

Taunton March 28. 1836

Dan'l Sharfson Esq.

Treas. U.S. Mint

Sir.

We enclose bill of 29 Kegs Copper blanches, Shipped by Jch. Neilson, which we hope will be delivered in good time—

Yours. Very Respectfully.

Joel Nelson Bro. & Co.

March 28th. 0

Sir,

In reply to your letter of yesterday relative to the value of United States Bank Stock, I am authorized by the Board of Directors to give a reply of the following purport, viz. that the Stock is considered as worth at least one hundred and twenty dollars per share, but that the Directors are not willing to express any opinion as to the value of the Stock beyond the present moment, as they conceive that the future operations of the Bank will depend upon the laws of the United States, which may be passed relative to the Bank, and upon the general state of the affairs of the Country.

It is proper that I should inform the Committee of Ways and Means, that the Directors will not be willing to allow any Dividends to be made on the Bank Stock which may be purchased by the United States, under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act supplementary to the Act entitled an Act to incorporate the Subscribers to the Bank of the United States" passed the 10th day of April 1806, but will consider the same as cancelled on the books of the Bank, and will give certificates for the amount of the Stock so purchased, to the Secretary of the Treasury, or to such person as he may appoint to receive the same.

I am, Sir, with respect,
Your obt. Servt.

Samuel Rob. Snowden.
Director.

The Hon. Mr. Gallatin
Secretary
Washington City.

Post Office Washington City
March 27. 1856

Jas. Kop Snowden Esq
Director U.S Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

Will you please inform me What is the rate of exchange in American Coin, for Spanish Coin of the denomination of 6¼ & 12½ cents. The Amount allowed per ounce if taken in that way by the Mint, or the best mode of converting the Amount I have into American Coin? Praying your pardon for troubling you in this small matter

I am
Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt
J. Brec
for Jas. G. Berrett
Postmaster

No. 12.

Sixteen Fine Gold Bars transmitted to the U. S. Mint, in pursuance of the Act of March 1855, by John J. Cisco, Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, New York.

1856.
March 28th Nos. 1255 to 1270 in two Boxes #1314132.

Weighing 4033.06 ounces @ 990½ f.

Gross Value,	$82,578.73
Deduct for Coinage	412.89
Net Value . . .	$82,165.84

Assay Office of the United States, New-York,

Treasurers Department,

March 28. 1857.

Sir

I have this day transmitted by the Adams Express Co. as per receipt & my statement enclosed, two boxes containing Sixteen fine gold bars, for Coinage, Weighing 4.033.16 Ounces Gross, Net value $ 82.165.84 for which please acknowledge the receipt.

Very Respt
Your Obt Svt
Jno. J. Cisco
Treasurer

Daniel Stingum Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 112. Received of the Treasurer of the United States

Assay Office, New York.

Two Box containing 11 n 33 n/l Ozs Gold Bullion,

" " Silver "

Parcel "

Amounting in Nett value to $ 82 165.84

Eighty two Thousand, One Hundred

& Sixty five 84/100 Dollars

which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer of the United States Mint at Philadelphia at Fifty Cents per One Thousand Dollars.

New York, March 28 1856

Adams Ex Impl Comp J H Babcock

Treasury Department
March 28th. 1856.

Sir.

The Collector at New York has been directed to admit to free entry the fifty bars of "Ingot Spelter" imported for the use of the U.S. Mint. per ship "Robert Center".

Very respectfully
Your obt Servt
James Guthrie
Sect of the Treasury

J. Ross. Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Ofr

Pittsburgh March 27/56.

James Ross Snowden Esq
U. S. Mint Phila

Sir

I enclosed Bill Lading and Rec for one pair Ctulled Rolls as per order of Jan 28, last, and have also paid freight as per instructions this price be found Ethento upon inspection to be a well finished pair Rolls and they are made of the best Iron we use for such purposes — hoping they will please and should you need any more in my line I am at your service

Very Respectfully
John C Pany
By D. H. Loomis

James Ross Snowden Esq
for U. S. Mint

Dr John C Pany

1 Pair Ctulled Rolls 10 3/8 in Long x 6 1/2 & 4 Medium finish		55.00
By Cash paid freight		1.13
		$ 56.13

Pittsburgh March 27th 1856

E. J. SNEEDER,
Freight Agent, Philadelphia.

GEO. C. FRANCISCUS,
Freight Agent, Pittsburgh, Pa.

MAGRAW & KOONS, Freight Agents, Baltimore.

H. H. HOUSTON, General Freight Agent, Philadelphia.

Journal Job Office, Pitts.

Received, Pittsburgh, March 26 1856, of Jno L Lapsley the following packages in apparent good order, marked as per margin, which we promise to deliver in like order to Jno Rob Snowden at the **Company's Freight Station at Philadelphia,** upon the following

CONDITIONS.

☞ The owner or Consignee to pay freight and charges, IN PAR FUNDS, as per specified rates, upon the Goods as they arrive in Car Loads.

☞ Freight carried by this Company must be removed from the Station at Philadelphia, DURING BUSINESS HOURS on the day of its arrival, or it will be stored at the owner's risk and expense.

It is agreed, and is part of the consideration of this contract, that the Company will not be responsible for Leakage of Liquids, Breakage of Glass or Queensware, or loss or damage to Goods occasioned by Providential causes, or by *Fire* from *any cause whatever*, while in transit or at Stations, unless the additional charge of five cents per one hundred pounds be added to the following rates in consideration of the Company insuring the goods safe to Philadelphia or Baltimore against all hazard, by instructions of owner or shipper before shipping.

The Company will not be responsible for damage on Tobacco, unless it is proved to have occurred during the time of its transit between Pittsburgh and Baltimore, or Philadelphia; and of this, notice must be given within thirty hours after the arrival of the same.

Freight to be paid upon the weight by the Company's scales at Pittsburgh.

☞ The Company not responsible for accidents or delays from unavoidable causes, or by the decay or injury of perishable articles.

The responsibility of the Company under this bill of Lading, to commence upon the shipment of the Goods at Pittsburgh, and to terminate when unloaded from the Cars at Philadelphia or Baltimore.

First Class.		*Second Class.*		*Third Class.*		*Fourth Class.*	
Beef, fresh, Brooms, Butter, fresh, Bottled Liquors of all kinds, Broom Corn, Brushes, Cedar and Wooden Ware, China, Cigars, Cranberries, Cutlery, Feathers, Fresh Fish, at owner's risk, Foreign Fruits, Furniture, common, second-hand, Furs, Game, Garden Seeds, in boxes, Liquors in Bottles, Looking-Glasses and Glass-Plate, at owner's risk, Mats and Rugs, Nuts, foreign, Oil, in bottles, Oysters, in cans or jars, Pianos, Poultry, dressed, at owner's risk, Russia Bristles, Snake-Root, Sperm Candles, Window-glass, westward, Wines, in baskets or boxes.	90 cents Per 100 lbs.	Agricultural productions not specified, Agricultural Implements, Apples, dried, Beeswax, Buffalo, Bear and Deer Skins, Bristles, American, Beer, Porter and Ale, in barrels, Casks or Barrels, empty, Cast Steel, Cider, Cider Mills, Clover, Timothy and other grass Seeds, Cotton Waste, Eggs, at owner's risk, Glass-ware, Ginseng, Hardware, Hides, Dry, Eastward, Hollow Ware, Hops, Iron Safes leather, except Sole, in bundles, Mechanics' Tools, Mahogany, Machinery, light, Nuts, (domestic,) Peaches, dried or green, Pasteboard, Writing Paper, Rags at owner's risk, uncompressed, Starch, White Lead, Wool & Sheep's Pelts, Bags, empty.	75 cts. Per 100 Lbs.	Ashes, pot or pearl, Apples, green, Bacon and Pork, loose, eastward, Beans and Peas, in casks, Bran, Shipstuff, and other feed, Butter, in firkins, kegs or barrels, Castings, light, Cheese, eastward, Copper, Flax, Flax-seed, Hides, dry green, or Spanish, westward, Hogs' or Cattle Hair, in bags, boxes, bales, casks or bundles, Pork, salted, loose, Pork, fresh, Potatoes, Turnips and similar roots, Rags, compressed, Ropes and Cordage, eastward, Soap, Starch, eastward Straw-paper and Binding-boards, Steam Engines, and heavy Machinery, Veneers, eastward, Window-glass, eastward, Wrapping and Printing Paper, Cotton, uncompressed; Hemp.	65 cts. Per 100 Lbs.	Alcohol, Bacon, in casks or boxes, eastward, Barley and Malt, Beef & Pork, pickled, salted, dried, packed; Candles, eastward, Car Wheels and Axles, Castings, heavy, not liable to be broken, Cotton, compressed, Earthen and Stoneware, Grain, in bags, Hemp, Lard, Lard Oil, Lead in pigs or sheets, Nails or Spikes, Straw-Boards, east, Soap, eastward, Tallow, Tobacco, leaf or manufactured, eastward, Whiskey, eastward.	50 cts. Per 100 Lbs.

Special Rates.

Flour, per barrel, ... $1 00
Single packages under 100 pounds, . . . 90

MARKS.	ARTICLES.
J R S For Jno Rob Snowden Via Grand Junct Phila	2 Iron Sash Rolls For Thos Dreamlin Prepaid $1.75 J. White

No. 61.

Sixty Five Gold Bars transmitted to the U.S. Mint, in pursuance of the Act of March 1855, by John F. Cisco, Treasurer of the U.S. Assay Office, New York.

1856.
March 27. Five Boxes # 126 to 130, containing

42 bars # 1154 to 1168, 1177 to 1185, 1219 to 1236	weight.	ounces dec. 10,561.20	@ 990½ f.
18 bars # 1237 to 1254	"	4583.79	" 991 f.

Gross Value $310,147.89
Deduct for Coinage 1.550.74
Net Value . . $308,597.15

Treasury Department.
March 27. 1854.

Sir.

Enclosed are a set of printed Interrogatories, received at the Department of State, and by it transmitted to this, for answer, to taking a decimal currency. Will you please furnish the necessary replies, and return the interrogatories with them.

I am, very Respy
Jams Guthrie
Secretary of the Treasury.

J. Ross Snowden, Esq.
Director of the Mint.
Philadelphia
Pa.

Philada March 27 1856.

Col. I. Ross Snowden
Director U. S. M.
Dear Sir

at the request of
Mr James C Booth we enclose the
marks and address of the Ingot Spelter.
We fear unless the advices reaches N.Y.
by Monday at the latest, the vessel will
get her general order.

Yours resply
Nathan Trotter & Co

per Ship. Robert Center,
from Antwerp.
NT 4274 to 4323.
50 Barrels Ingot Spelter.

There being no other Ingot Spelter, except that made
expressly for the Mint, & the boxes being marked,
as above, no other Spelter can be introduced free
but the above. Jas C Booth M.A.R.

(Letter to Secretary inside)

Mansfield. 6

Sir

I have to request that you will direct the Collector of the Port of Lynn Regis to transmit for the use of this Board a Return of the Quantity of Sugar loaded on board of Ships Cleared from that Port for Foreign Parts, in the Month of October 1787.

I am Sir Your most obedient humble Servant

Commissioners of the Customs.

Assay Office of the United States, New-York,

Treasurer's Department,

March 27. 1856

Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of the 25 th inst. advising remittance in Gold Coins, by the Adams Express Co. of $ 101,316.76 which have arrived, and that amount has been placed to your credit.

As for receipt and statement enclosed, I have this day transmitted as usual, five boxes containing Fifty five gold bars for Coinage, weighing 15.1111.99 Ounces gross, and amounting in Net Value to $ 308,597.15 the receipt of which I will thank you to acknowledge.

Very Respy
Your Obt. Svt.

Daniel Stuart and Co
Treas. U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Ellis
Treasurer

P.S. Returned 33 lb Sage bags

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 61 Received of the Treasurer of the United States
Assay Office, New York.
Fine Box containing 15,1444.99 Ozs. Gold Bullion,
" " Silver "
3 Parcels " Empty bags (3361)
Amounting in Net value to $ 308,597.15
Three Hundred and Eight Thousand,
Five Hundred & Ninety Seven 15 Hundredths Dollars
which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer
of the United States Mint at Philadelphia at Fifty
Cents per One Thousand Dollars.
New York, March 27, 1856
For Adams Express Co. J. Faherck

Denmark Lee County Iowa
April 26 1856

Supt U S Mint
Philad[a] Pa

Dear Sir I would like to get a list of prices that you pay for all Coins or any foreign coin I have and it stated that Coin made previous to 1858 was at a premium at the Mint.

Truly Yours
Nelson Hunt

Ans[d] by Circular
May 3. 1856.

Assay Office of the United States, New-York,

Treasurer's Department,

March 25. 1856

Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of the 24th inst. inclosing Assay Memorandums of Gold and Silver Bullion transmitted on the 20th inst. and advising remittance by the Adams Express Co of $29.786.60 in Silver Coins. Which have arrived, and your account credited with the amount; together with that of your remittance on the 21st inst. Viz $28.875.36

In answer to your Question, regarding $100,000. in Half Eagles, I have to reply, They will be accepted.

Very Respt
Your Obt Svt
John J Cisco
Treasurer

Daniel Stringham Esq
Treas U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Mr. Secretary Jay

Sir

I wrote to you on the 20th ult. & have
since had the honor of receiving your letters of
the 22d & 29th of the last month & 1st inst.
and the Act of Congress therein mentioned.

I am with respect
Sir
Your most obedt. & very hble Servt
Henry Knox

The Secretary of State
&c. &c. &c.

Mr. Secretary Jay
Secretary of State
Philadelphia

Sir I send you a Copy of my Circular of the
day last for the purpose of obtaining the Returns &c. &c.

Lancaster Pa. March 22nd 1836.

Mr James, Ross, Snowden Esqr.!

Having had Buissenes with you this several times, concerning sending to the mint difrent silver Coines, i now have a small lot of Silver coin on hand, i shall be ready to send it to you, as soon you give me a Statement about theire value, and should ask you the favor to state me how German gold coin carry, such as 10 Guilders, Prusian 10 Thaler peices, & ec. as i have also a small lot on hand, i am awaiting your answer by return Mail. & Remains yours Verry Respectfully,

Jacob Herzog

Ten guilders, average $4.00
Ten Thalers of Prussia 7.95
Do. of Germany generally, 7.87

Assay Office of the United States, New-York,

Treasurers Department,

March 22. 1854

Sir

I am in receipt this day, by the Adams Express Co of Six Kegs Silver Coins advised in your letter of the 21st inst. as containing $28.875.36 which, when Counted, will be placed to the Credit of your account.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt

David Stuart Esq
Treas. U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

John J. Cisco
Treasurer

Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office
March 22d, 1856.

Daniel Sturgeon Esq.
Treasurer U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Sir.

In reply to your favor of the 21st inst. relative to the adjustment of your Ordinary Expense Account for the 4th Quartr 1855. I have to say, the $2500, will appear in your account for the present Quarter.

Most Sincerely
Yours.
Elisha Whittlesey
Comptroller.

10260	10266	10272	10278	10284	10290	10296	10302
2	3	7	5	2	3	50	60
3	90	8	6	3	4	2	1
4	8	9	7	4	5	3	2
5	[illegible]	20	8	5	6	4	3
6	[illegible]	1	9	6	7	5	4
7	5	2	50	7	8	6	5
8	6	3	1	8	9	7	[illegible]
9	7	4	2	9	10	8	[illegible]
10	8	5	3	50	1	9	[illegible]
1	9	6	4	1	2	40	9
2	100	7	5	2	3	1	70
3	1	8	6	3	4	2	1
4	2	9	7	4	5	3	2
5	3	10	8	5	6	4	3
6	4	1	9	6	7	5	4
7	5	2	60	7	8	6	5
8	6	3	1	8	9	7	6
9	7	4	2	9	20	8	7
60	8	5	3	60	1	9	8
1	9	6	4	1	2	50	9
2	10	7	5	2	3	1	80
3	1	8	6	3	4	2	1
4	2	9	7	4	5	3	2
5	3	20	8	5	6	4	3
6	4	1	9	6	7	5	4
7	5	2	70	7	8	6	5
8	6	3	1	8	9	7	6
9	7	4	2	9	30	8	7
70	8	5	3	70	1	9	8
1	9	6	4	1	2	60	9
2	20	7	5	2	3	1	90
3	1	8	6	3	4	2	1
4	2	9	7	4	5	3	2
5	3	30	8	5	6	4	3
6	4	1	9	6	7	5	4
7	5	2	80	7	8	6	5
8	6	3	1	8	9	7	6
9	7	4	2	9	40	8	7
80	8	5	3	80	1	9	8
1	9	6	4	1	2	70	9
2	30	7	5	2	3	1	100
3	1	8	6	3	4	2	1
4	2	9	7	4	5	3	2
5	3	40	8	5	6	4	3
6	4	1	9	6	7	5	4
7	5	2	90	7	8	6	5
8	6	3	1	8	9	7	6
9	7	4	2	9	50	8	7
90	8	5	3	90	1	9	8
1	9	6	4	1	2	80	9
2	40	7	5	2	3	1	110
3	1	8	6	3	4	2	1
4	2	9	7	4	5	3	2
5	3	50	8	5	6	4	3
6	4	1	9	6	7	5	4
7	5	2	100	7	8	6	5
8	6	3	1	8	9	7	6
9	7	4	2	9	60	8	7
100	8	5	3	100	1	9	8

Mint of the United States
Philada 21 March 1857

Sir,

I forward to you this day two boxes marked E. & S. to your address containing the accounts of the Branch Mint, Calif. for the 3rd quarter of 1856.

In comparing the vouchers of Gold warrants of former quarters paid in the current (or 3rd) quarter, a large number warrants are missing, which (according to Statement A) should be forwarded. I presume that, by some accident, they have been folded with the bundles of warrants paid 2nd quarter, in the accounts lately sent to you. The list of the missing warrants is enclosed, and I suggest that you cause an examination of the bundles referred to in order to ascertain if my conjecture is correct. If the warrants cannot be found, they must be still at the Branch Mint.

I enclose a copy of a letter lately addressed by me to the Branch Mint relative to their accounts.

It will be a satisfaction for me to learn, from time to time, the progress you make in the adjustment of these accounts, and the balances found by you.

Very respectfully Yours

James Ross Snowden.
Director.

Thos. L. Smith, Esq.
1st Auditor
Washington

Warrants of former Quarters
Paid in 3rd Quarter, 1854.

(Missing)

10,191	to	10,192
10,194	"	10,238
10,240	"	10,290
10,294	"	10,295
10,297	"	10,329
10,331	"	10,351
10,353	"	10,354
10,356	"	10,390
10,392	"	10,395
10,397	"	10,403
10,405	"	10,407
10,409	and	10,412
10,413	and	10,414
10,415	to	10,435
10,442	"	10,445 & 10,448

United States Assay Office
New York, March 21, 1856.

Sir,

The weights made by Mr. Froemmer, in compliance with my request of the 9th ult., came to hand yesterday. They are much admired by the Bar-clerk, but he reports to me that Mr. Froemmer has omitted to send the smaller weights, the set containing nothing smaller than 1 oz.

Will you request him to send us the usual subdivisions, — tenths & hundredths?

Very respectfully,
your obt. servt.
Sam. J. Butterworth
Supt

Hon. James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

P.S. Can you send me a few copies of the "Mint Laws"?

Treasury Department
Register's Office 21 March 1856

Sir.

The Committee of Ways and Means have written to the Department to enquire the cause of the increase in the estimates for the Mint at Philadelphia, for the next fiscal year above the present, in the following items. viz:
For wages of workmen & adjusters from $50.000 to $64.000
For incidental & Contingent expenses including wastage from $60.000 to $75.000.

Please to inform this Office as soon as possible the grounds for this increase.

I am, respectfully
Your Obed't Serv't
Dis'g Register

James R. Snowden Esquire
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

March 20th 6.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday, in which you transmit the enquiry of the Committee of Ways and Means as to the causes of an excess of estimate of expenditure at this Mint, in the items of wages and incidentals for the past fiscal year.

In reply I would state that our experience during the earlier fiscal years showed that the appropriations made for the service thereof would have proved entirely insufficient had it not been for a circumstance, unforseen at the time when that appropriation was asked for, namely the suspension of the manufacturing operations of the Mint during a period of about five months, in consequence of alterations in the interior with a view to render it fire proof. Notwithstanding the reduced amount of expenditure in wages and incidentals due to this circumstance, it is questionable whether the unexpended balance of the appropriation will be sufficient to meet the expenditures demanded during the remainder of the present fiscal year. That being the case it would manifestly be unwise to take as a basis of estimated expenditure during the coming fiscal year the appropriations of the past, which are certain to be barely adequate, notwithstanding the suspension referred to.

The appropriation asked for the coming fiscal year is based upon our ascertained average of expenditure, supposing the coinage of the establishment, at its various denominations, to continue as at present. I believe the estimates do not exceed what is necessary, to keep the Mint in effective working order, and that their reduction would not be safely ventured on, without the risk of serious public inconveniences.

I would further observe that, in consequence of a change in the character of the work now done at the Mint, which is almost exclusively confined to coinage, we are deprived of a reduction allowed in former years, denominated as a reduction on our appropriations

U. S. Assay Office, New-York,

TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT.

March 21. 1856

Sir

Your letter of the 19th inst. advising remittance of $216.899.35 in Gold Coins by the Adams Express Co has been received and the above named amount placed to the credit of your account.

Very Resp'y
Your Obt Svt
J. W. Schell
Treasurer

Daniel Stringer Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Navy Department,
March 21, 1856.

Sir,

The Naval Committee of the House of Representatives, having been directed to enquire whether the Resolution of Congress of January 11, 1814, requesting the President of the United States "to cause to be presented to the "nearest male relative of Captain James "Lawrence a gold medal, and a silver "medal to each of the commissioned "officers who served with him in the "Sloop of War Hornet in her conflict "with the British Vessel of war Pea-"cock", has been complied with &c, has requested this Department to furnish such information as will enable it to act understandingly in the case.

To comply with the desire of the Committee, I have to request that you will be pleased to inform me if there

is

is any evidence of the medals re=
ferred to in the Resolution having
been struck off at the Phil.a
Mint and transmitted to the
Navy Department or its agent.
A number of medals for offi=
cers of the Navy were struck off
at the Mint during the years
1817-22.

The general superintendence
of the execution of these medals, was
entrusted by the Department to George
Harrison, Esq.r Navy Agent at
Philadelphia at the time.

I am respectfully
Yr. obt. Svt.
R. Dobbin

James R. Snowden Esq.r
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia.

No. 60.

One Hundred & forty six Fine Silver Bars transmitted to the U.S. Mint, in pursuance of the Act of March 1854, by John J. Cisco. Treasurer of the U.S. Assay Office, New York.

1856.
March 20. Twelve Boxes # 14 to 25, containing

No. 42.	20 bars	weighing	2341.55 ozt.	@ 998½ ‰	=	2597.82 Stand. ozs.
" 51.	16	"	1813.15 "	" 998½.	=	2011.59 "
" 54.	19	"	2092.00 "	" 999	=	2322.12 "
" 55.	21	"	2151.20 "	" 999	=	2387.83 "
" 56.	10	"	1907.01 "	" 998½	=	2115.72 "
" 57.	10	"	1846.31 "	" 998½	=	2048.38 "
" 59.	10	"	1927.30 "	" 999	=	2132.64 "
" 61.	10	"	1927.00 "	" 998½	=	2137.90 "
" 64.	10	"	1916.20 "	" 998½	=	2125.92 "
" 69.	10	"	2045.68 "	" 998½	=	2269.57 "
" 70.	10	"	1952.43 "	" 998½	=	2166.11 "
	146		21,913.83 "			24,315.60 "

Gross Value $ 28,294.52

24,315.60 Stand. ozs. @ $1.22½ = $ 29,786.61 payable in Silver coins.

Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office
March 20th 1856.

Daniel Sturgeon Esq
Treasurer United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Sir.

Your account of Ordinary Expenses for the Quarter ending December 31st 1855. has been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance found due the United States of $ 22,149.80

Balance per your account 24,649.80

This difference $ 2,500.00

is thus accounted for:

Deduct this amount, being the difference between the sum credited by you as amount of Warrant No 54145. and charged to you in your account for 3d Quarter 1855. per Report No 120808, as the amount of said Warrant as given on the Registers Certificate as follows:

Amount credited by you $ 36,975.00

do charged to you 34,475.00 $ 2,500.00

Most Sincerely Yours Chas Whittlesey
Comptroller

U. S. Assay Office, New-York,

TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT.

March 20. 1856

Sir

As per receipt and statement enclosed I have this day forwarded in the usual manner, twelve boxes containing 1446 fine Silver bars, weighing 21.913.83 Ounces, and amounting in Nett Value to $29.786.61 for which I will thank you to remit me in payment, $5000. in half dollars, $15.000. in Quarters. $5.000. in dimes, and $4.786.61 in half dimes.

The three boxes of fine gold bars, advised as transmitted, in my letter of the 18th inst. have been detained at this Office until to day, when they will go forward with the rest.

Very Respy
Your Obt Svt

Wm. L. Elder
Treasurer

Daniel Sturgeon Esq
Treas. U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 610. Received of the Treasurer of the United States

Assay Office, New York

Box containing ——— Gold Bullion.

" 4 " 21,913.83 Ozs. Silver "

Parcel " ———

Amounting in Net value to $ 28,294.52

Twenty Eight Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety Four 52/100 Dollars

which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer of the United States Mint at Philadelphia at ½ cents per One Thousand Dollars.

New York, March 20 1856

For Adams Express Co. J. Adams

Banking Office of the Michigan Insurance Company

Detroit March 20th 1856

Dr. Rob Crowder

Director Mint U.S. Dept

We are in receipt of your favor of the _____ with enclosures as advised.

Respectfully Yours

Please Collect

Cashier.

Will you please inform me what amount of the new Silver coin of the United States of the denomination of halves & quarters will be given in exchange for american Gold delivered at the mint.

I am induced to ask this question because I may have occasion to make this exchange, & to satisfy the inquiry, whether there is any premium paid at the Mint on American Gold, when exchanged for silver coins of the United States.

I am Respectfully Yours

D. K. Dawson

March 24th 6

Gent.

In reply to your letter of the 22d inst., received this morning, I have to state that what is exchanged for gold at the Mint is chiefly of 1000 and upwards, but no premium is allowed for the gold, that given in exchange.

For your information and to the sale of specie paid at the Subtreasuries for the several kinds of silver purchased I enclose a copy of my circular of 23 July last upon that subject.

I am,

very respectfully,

Samuel Ralph Franklin.
Director.

M. McAuley Esq.
Cashier &c.

Mayor's Office
Portland
March 20. 1856

Dear Sir.

Dr Cumming has just called at my office, and for the $10. and for the collection in the Mint. permitted me to choose one coin of Gold and one of Silver. the former of James. the latter of Elizabeth. He has Eight more of gold and nine of Silver.

He gave me also a paper containing the notice, historical and critical - which I forward to you.

Thos. H. Jones Esqr. one of our most respectable and wealthy citizens, was in my office, and remarked that he was to leave this p.m.

Portland
March 19. 1856

Dear Sir -

Yours of the 14th inst. with Enclosure is just rec^d. Dr Cummings. I believe is now on his farm. and I will Communicate with him immediately. There was a very interesting historical account of the Island, inhabitants &c &c. published at the time by Hon Wm Willis. sec^y. of the Historical society of Maine. which I will try to find

Respectfully yours

Neal Dow

J. R. Lysander Esq
Phila.

Portland
March 20/56

Jas. R. Snowden Esqr

Dear Sir

The bearer, Thos. R. Jones Esqr. one of our most Respectable and Wealthy Citizens and Merchants, has kindly offered to take Charge of the Coins. If it will be Convenient to you, to permit him to see you quickly, it will be pleasant to him, and a personal favor to myself.

Very Respectfully
Yours.
Neal Dawes

Sir Pl. Marshall &
Bart.

for Phila. and
would take charge
of anything I might
choose to send - and I
commit the coins to her
care.

Very Respectfully
Yours
Neal Dawes

James Ross Snowden Esqr
Director U. S. Mint
Phila.

U. S. Assay Office,
New-York, Mar. 19, 1856.

Sir,

Your several communications of the 18th inst. are received, & will have my early attention.

I enclose a note from Mr. Kent, who proposes to visit the Mint on Monday next.

I will remit the amount of Mr. Roemmer's bill as soon as the weights come to hand.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. servt.,
A. J. Bustenneth
Supt

Hon. J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

U. S. Assay Office, Melter & Refiner's Department,

New-York, Mar 1, 1856

Sir,

When you have occasion to write to the Director of the Mint, will you please inform him that I shall be happy to assist in putting up the apparatus for washing Sweep, at the Mint, and with your permission will visit the Mint for that purpose, on Monday next, & oblige

Very Resp'y
Your Obt Servt

Edward H Kent
Melter & Refiner

S. H. Butterworth Esq
Supt U. S. Assay Office

U. S. Assay Office, New-York,

TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT.

March 19. 1856

Sir

As per receipt and statement enclosed, I have this day forwarded by the Adams Express Comp. five boxes containing fifty fine Gold bars, weighing 12,638.16 Ounces, of the Net Value of $ 257,998.48 The receipt of which I will thank you to acknowledge.

Very Respy
Your Obt. Svt
Wm. L. Elder
Treasurer

Daniel Stimpson Esq
Treasurer of U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 59 Received of the Treasurer of the United States
Assay Office, New York.
Five Box containing 12,638.16 Ozs Gold Bullion,
" " Silver "
Parcel "
Amounting in Net value to $257,998.08
Two hundred & fifty seven Thousand
Nine Hund and Ninety Eight 8 dollars
which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer
of the United States Mint at Philadelphia at Fifty
Cents per One Thousand Dollars.
New York, March 19 1856
For Adams Express Co. J. Dalrock

Taunton March 19. 1866.

Dan'l Stimpson Esq.
Treas: U.S. Mint.

Sir.

We annex bill of 20 Keys planches, forwarded by Steam - via New York -

We will send more soon, and receive in Payment Cash, after you have accumulated what you require -

Our friends in New York, Messrs. Wilde & Co. would like to have 5 or 10 Keys Cash, as soon as you can spare them -

Yours truly

Crocker Bro. & Co.

No. 57.

Two Hundred & Three Fine Silver Bars transmitted to the U.S. Mint, in pursuance of the Act of March 1855, by John J. Cisco, Treasurer of the U.S. Assay Office, New York.

No. 38	12 bars weighing	1825.65 ozs.	@ 999½	=	2027.49 Stand. ozs.
" 39.	23 "	1902.75 "	" 998½	=	2111.00 " "
" 40.	24 "	2286.18 "	" 999	=	2537.66 " "
" 41.	24 "	2398.90 "	" 998½	=	2661.45 " "
" 43.	27 "	2437.10 "	" 998	=	2702.47 " "
" 44.	19 "	2028.65 "	" 998	=	2249.55 " "
" 46.	19 "	2157.51 "	" 998	=	2392.44 " "
" 48.	20 "	2222.70 "	" 998½	=	2465.96 " "
" 49.	21 "	2151.81 "	" 999	=	2388.51 " "
" 50.	14 "	1832.59 "	" 999½	=	2035.19 " "
	203 "	21,243.84 "			23571.72 " "

Gross Value $27.428.91

23,571.72 ounces Stand. @ $1.22½ cts. pr. ounce = $28,875.36
payable in Silver coins 192 grains to the half dollar.

No. 59.

Fifty Fine Gold Bars transmitted to the U. S. Mint, in pursuance of the Act of March 1855, by John J. Cisco, Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, New York.

1856.
March 19. Nos. 1104 to 1153, in five boxes #1216125.

weighing 12638.16 ounces @ 992/2 f.

Gross Value	$259,294.55
Deduct for Coinage	1,296.47
Net Value	$257,998.08

Treasurer Mint. Philadelphia

March 19. 1856

Transfer dft No. 2543 favor Saml Casey. Treas. U.S.
afs to J. D. Colmesnil — for — $250.000=

Mint of the United States
Philad.a 19 March 1886

Sir,

In my letter to you of the 4th inst. relative to the Bullion Accounts of your Mint, I mentioned that in stating the Balance of your Coinage account the Assay Coins received during the year up to the date of the particular quarter should be included. It has since occurred to me that inasmuch as you have as yet rendered no account in which the Assay Coins so received, and so included in the sum may with the Coinage balance, may have been re-alloyed again after the annual assay at the Mint, it will be proper to refer briefly to this case. In a letter of Oct. 19th 1885 it was stated, generally, that the coins for 1884 as received by me had been placed to the credit of your Mint, for the payment of Ordinary Expenses, and you were directed to cause the like amount to be paid into your Coinage Account from your Ordinary Accounts to compensate for the sum thus credited. I presume that this was done.

The entry in the Bullion Account will principally be (contrary) should be — "Gold Coinage 1884 Gold Coins received for Assay — for this amount of Assay Coins of 1884, restored to the Coinage of." This will discharge the Assay Coins accounted for

625

to the close of that year leaving the balance at close of 1st quarter 1885 to correspond with the Assay Coins issued during that quarter.

In the Coinage Summary the transaction regulating the Assay Coins need not be entered since the balance with which the quarter begins already includes the assay coins of 1884, and the balance with which it ends should over only Assay Coins issued in 1885, this is substantially the same as if an entry were made of the amount issued from the assay Coins.

In your Ordinary Account you have, I presume, credited it with the proceeds of the Assay Coins and charged it with the transfer to Gold Coinage. It would have been equally correct, however, to enter neither the credit nor debit, since the transaction is in fact only an exchange of money here from your Coinage to Ordinary Account, balanced by an exchange of your Bonds for Assay Certificates from your Ordinary to Coinage. The balance to the credit of the Ordinary is thus left unchanged.

In this connection I should remark that, in consequence of the Silver Coinage at your Mint, accounts of Silver Coins issued for Assay and of Silver Coinage, and a Silver Coinage Summary must be introduced, analogous to those of the like character relating to the Gold Coins.

the occasion having been lately embraced
to review the several letters which have been re-
ceived from you in relation to the Bullion accounts,
one or two points have been omitted respecting which
a few remarks are appropriate.

In your letter of 14 July 1855 you suggest that
the Mint should, in making the silver packets, re-
ceive the difference between the valuation at 412½
grains and 384 grains to the Dollar. Overlooked
the consideration of this question at the time your
letter was received and it was only lately my atten-
tion has been drawn to it again. My impression
is that your view is correct. Inasmuch, however, as
the past reduction has always heretofore been adopt-
ed at the Mint, I prefer that no change should be
attempted without first consulting the Secretary. You
will therefore continue the present usage until furth-
instructed.

Your letter of 15 May '55 presents as a reason why
no dollar should appear as a balance in Treas.r hands
for assay slips unrealised, that these slips are with the
assayer. I reply that, as the assayer is not an accoun-
ing officer, and cannot therefore be charged with bull-
ion in Treas.r hands unmanufactured, the latter must
be responsible; otherwise we should have the case of
bullion in the Mint not charged to any one, which is
not possible, or consistent with §2, second clause of
the Mint Act of Jan. 18, 1837.

Very respectfully
James Ross Snowden
Director U.S. Mint.

Hon. Peter Cagg, Supt.
San Francisco.

Treasurer's Office, Yale College,
New Haven, Ct., Mch. 18, 1856.

Sir,

Your favor of the 12th inst. was duly received, & I thank you for your obliging attention. Will you have the kindness to strike five medals on the terms proposed, viz. twelve dollars each for the medal containing gold to the value of ten dollars.

By Adams's Express of this evening I send the two dies with the intermediate ring, securely packed in paper, addressed to you, and paid through.

When the medals are completed, will you please forward them with the dies in a package or box, by Express, unpaid, & directed to me.

I will send you the money for the medals & incidental expenses, by draft on Metropolitan Bank, N.Y. city, payable to your order, (provided this will be satisfactory,) whenever you may direct.

Please to cause the medals to be struck at your early convenience, but a delay of a month or two would not incommode us.

Very respectfully,
Your obedt. Servt.
Edward C. Herrick,
Treas.

James Ross Snowden, Esq.
Director U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

U. S. Assay Office, New-York,

TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT.

March 18. 1851.

Sir

I have this day transmitted by the Adams Express Co. as per their receipt, and my Statement enclosed, three boxes, cont'g thirty one fine Gold bars. Weighing 7.911.87 ounces gross; of the net value of $161,589.83 the receipt of which please acknowledge.

Very Resp'y
Your Obt. Sv.
John J. Cisco
Treasurer

Daniel Stanguen Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

JOSEPH J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 51 Received of the Treasurer of the United States
Assay Office, New York.
Three Boxes containing 7911.57 Ozs Gold Bullion.
" " Silver "
Parcel "
Amounting in Nett value to $ 161589.83
One hundred and sixty one thousand
five hundred Eighty nine 83/100 Dollars
which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer
of the United States Mint at Philadelphia at Fifty
Cents per One Thousand Dollars.
New York, March 18 1854
For Adams Express Comp. H C Babcock

No. 58.

Thirty one Fine Gold Bars transmitted, in pursuance of the Act of March 1855, by John J. Cisco. Treasurer of the U.S. Assay Office, New York.

1856.
March 18. Nos. 1073 to 1103 in three Boxes # 118 to 120.

Weighing 7911.57 ounces @ 993 f.

Gross Value $162,401.84
Deduct for Coinage 812.01

Net Value $161,589.83

March 16th 0.

Sir.

I have received your communication of the instant, to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in relation to the charges for refining &c.

As I am called upon by the Chancellor and Board to make a report on the subject in connexion with an enquiry, which the refiners of gold and silver may not be inclined, I have to request a statement from you, on the following heads.

1. The number of persons and their wages at the Mint refining the number employed in each branch of the refining establishment, including the Engravers, and other artificial smelting, refining and working charges during the year 1787.

2. The charge for waste and cost of such materials used in smelting and refining, and the cost of refining by the Parting and working acquafortis connected with the refining establishment for the above period.

3. The amount of gold received and refined and the standard in the above further year.

4. What rate of parting or refining charge would be sufficient to remunerate the refiner, defraying all the expences incident to that operation, at present existing, including cost of materials of every kind, wages of workmen, waste and loss by refining and assaying, and wastage of fineness incident thereto upon the amount of gold received in Bullion.

5. The rate, stated upon an increase of the standard of the last year upon that of the year specified.

6. The rate upon a decrease of the standard

7. What reduction, if any, can be made on gross charges, with the number of persons employed or the wages, heard stated standard.

8. Any other information which you may request as material on the consideration of the subject of an increase on the charges of refining.

I am Dear respectfully
Thanks
Yours Obliged Servants.
Wright.

[illegible] Chatterworth, Esqr.
Superintendent
Navy Office
Navy Board

March 11 6.

Sir.

Please say to Prosp.
Hunt, that we are to be supplied to
day with Arsenic acid, in lieu of that
from the former time, in pursuance of
his proposals and the result.
If it suits his convenience, he
may be come over the Redemption of
the coin on the Exchange of the next
week.

Yours very Respy
S. R. Snowden
Dr. Wm. Wilkinson Esq
Sept. 12.
New York.

No. 1 Page

LIST OF REAL ESTATE LOANS

March 15th 1865

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Name of Borrower	Estimated value of property	Date when loan was made	Number of acres loaned on	Amount loaned	Rate of interest per annum	Amount of interest due and unpaid	Is property located within legal boundary

Sir

I received this day morning from the Secretary of the Treasury a letter enclosing the proclamation made for furnishing your Office with said, in which manner this form reads:

"You are authorized to make a contract with Marshall Beach for one year for the supply of wire and for Portsmouth and Piscataqua until you will be directed to limit all contracts hereafter made to one year."

In pursuance of this authorization I herein enclose the form of a contract between yourself and Marshall Beach for the supply of Starling and required by your instruction during the year ending April 1st, 1865.

Very respectfully
Your

James Rose Swanston.
Assistant.

Lt. Butterworth Esq.
Superintendent Coast Survey &c.
Washington City.

Sir I herewith transmit the papers relative to the supply of said for your information and that you may take such action thereon as the law of the Treasury Department of said date, for which of blanks required made by me for your guidance shall require. I may remark that I am very respectfully addressed at the mail.

Said Agreement made this day of March, one thousand
eight hundred and fifty-five, by and between, A. J. Butler
Superintendent of the Croton Aqueduct
Office, in the City of New York, pursuant to and authorized from the Board of Croton
under the authorization of the Secretary, Commissioners, the Secretary and Master Mason
Brotherick, & Wilmerding, that the said Martin Mallofield
hereby contracted, promised and agreed to deliver at the said Aqueduct Office, in Varick Street in the
said City of New York, free from and that and do discharged of any and all charges,
claims and demands for the carriage and delivery thereof or other than the sum or prices
of the same as hereinafter stated and mutually agreed upon, the amount of the coals
hereinafter specified which may be required for the use of the said Aqueduct Office in
and during the year next ensuing the first day of April, proximo, in such quantities and
of such kinds as may be directed by the said Superintendent; said delivered to be
Lehigh nutrio coal, commonly called Lehigh coal of a description marking 80° Beaume
and of Schuylkill coal of the usual description (65° Beaume) at the rate or price of three
dollars per ton of two thousand pounds for said Nutrio coal and of two (2) dollars per ton of two thousand pounds for said Schuylkill
coal, for each and every pound thereof so delivered as aforesaid. Said coal to be delivered
in sound sacks and to be subject to the inspection and approval of the said Superintendent
of the said Aqueduct thereof to be made at such times and may be agreed upon between
the said Superintendent and the said Martin Mallofield.

In Witness Whereof the said parties hereto have hereunto set their hands
and seals the day and year first above written.

Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of

Pittsburgh Boone County
Ky

Superintendant of the Cincinnati

Dear Sir

Enclosed you will receive a small quantity
of Virgin Gold, about 200 grains —
You will please send me an order or draft
payable in Cincinnati Ohio for the value
of the Gold, or if I have commenced, you
may mail the Amount in good Current money
to my address. Please Answer this as
Soon as convenient. Your Respectfully

William H Chapin

Director U.S. Mint

Pittsburgh
Boone County
Kentucky

March 18th 0.

Sir

Your letter enclosing two grains of crude gold had been received, but it is not the practice of the Mint to receive deposits of gold value there so I herewith return the parcel transmitted in your letter.

I am,

Very respectfully

James Ross Snowden.

Director.

Mr. William McClaskey,

Selinsburgh,

Lebanon County,

Pennsylvania.

Treasury Department
March 17. 1856.

Sir:

As the law fixes the charge for coinage at ½ per cent at the Mint and Branches, the charge must continue as the law directs; but as the other charges are to be regulated, from time to time, by the Director of the Mint, with the approval of the department, so as to cover the expenses, it will be proper for you to ascertain what those charges are at the Mint & Branches, also at the Assay office in New York, and report them to the Department, in order that the tariff of charges may be revised.

I think the Superintendent of the Assay Office has proved the necessity for such a revision. When your report comes in, it will be time enough to discuss the other questions raised by him. But I think it proper to remark the expenses at New York might be reduced by curtailing the number of employes and you should investigate that subject.

I am, Very Respy
James Guthrie
Secretary of the Treasury.

J. R. Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia Pa

Treasury Department
March 14. 1856.

Sir

I dealy received yours of the 10th. instant with the proposals for supplying acids enclosed which are herewith returned.

You are authorised to make a contract with Mr Kalbfleish for one year for the supply of Nitric acid for 4 cents and 2 for Muriatic Acid. You will be pleased to limit all contracts hereafter made to one year.

I am very Resp.
Your Obt Servt
Sec of the Treasury.

S. R. Snowden Esq
Director of Mint
Philada

March 1768. 6.

Sir

I have received your letter of the 2nd Instant, and have laid before the Commissioners of the Customs in England your application for the Collectorship of Dublin, which has been vacant since the death of Mr. Thomas Brown. We have also laid before them the memorial of Mr. Hamilton, Surveyor of the Customs in Dublin, and Deputy Collector of the Revenue, and the several papers transmitted by the Commissioners of the Revenue in Ireland, relative to the conduct of the said Mr. Hamilton in the discharge of the duties of his office, and in the execution of the late Act of Parliament for the better collecting and securing the Revenue arising by Stamp Duties in Ireland. Upon the whole of this matter, their Lordships are of opinion, that the said Mr. Hamilton has been guilty of a breach of his duty, in not having given due attendance at the Custom House, during the hours appointed by the Commissioners of the Revenue, for the purpose of receiving the Stamp Duties, and in not having kept the Accounts of the said Duties in the manner directed by the Commissioners of the Revenue, and that he has thereby rendered himself liable to the penalties inflicted by the said Act of Parliament. But their Lordships are willing to impute the said offences to inadvertency, rather than to any wilful neglect of duty, and therefore, as the said Mr. Hamilton has been long employed in the Revenue, and has a numerous family to provide for, their Lordships have determined to recommend to the Commissioners of the Revenue in Ireland, that the said Mr. Hamilton may be continued in the Office of Surveyor of the Customs in Dublin, and Deputy Collector of the Revenue there, upon his paying the penalty of £100 for the offence committed by him, and giving security for his future good behaviour in the execution of his office.

I am, Sir, your most humble
and most obedient Servant
Hans Sloane

Rt. Honble. Thomas Pelham
Secretary of the Treasury

Dublin.

Treasury Department
March 14/1856.

Sir

Yours of the 10th suggesting the employment of Mr. Kent's apparatus for grinding gold & silver Dusters at the Mint has been received. You are authorized to erect the apparatus under the inspection of Mr. Kent as proposed.

I am very Resp
James Guthrie
Sec of the Treasury.

D. R. Snowden Esq
Director of Mint
Philada

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer.

No. 57. Received of the Treasurer of the United States

Assay Office, New York.

Thirteen Boxes containing ..... Gold Bullion,

" " 21.243.84 Ozs — Silver "

Parcel " .....

Amounting in Net value to $27.428.91

Twenty Seven Thousand, four hundred

Twenty-Eight 91/100 dollars

which we agree to insure against loss, and deliver to the Treasurer of the United States Mint at Philadelphia at

Cents per One Thousand Dollars.

New York, March 17. 1851

For Adams, Express Co. J J Babcock

U. S. Assay Office, New-York,

Treasurer's Department.

March 17. 1856

Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of the 17th inst advising remittance of $373.099.64 in gold Coins, by the Adams Express Com. which have been rec'd and duly Credited to your Account.

As per rec'pt and Statement enclosed, I have this day Transmitted in the usual manner thirteen boxes, containing 203 fine silver bars, weighing 21.243.84 Ounces, amounting in Value to $27.428.91, or at 1.22½ pr St. ounce $28.875.36 the payment for which, I will thank you to make in the following manner, Viz. in Half Dollars $3.000. in Quarters, $15.000. in dimes $5.000. in Half dimes, the Balance, or $5,875.36 at your earliest convenience.

Very Respt
Your Obt Svt

Wm. J. Allen
Treasurer

David Sturgeon Esq
Treas. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia